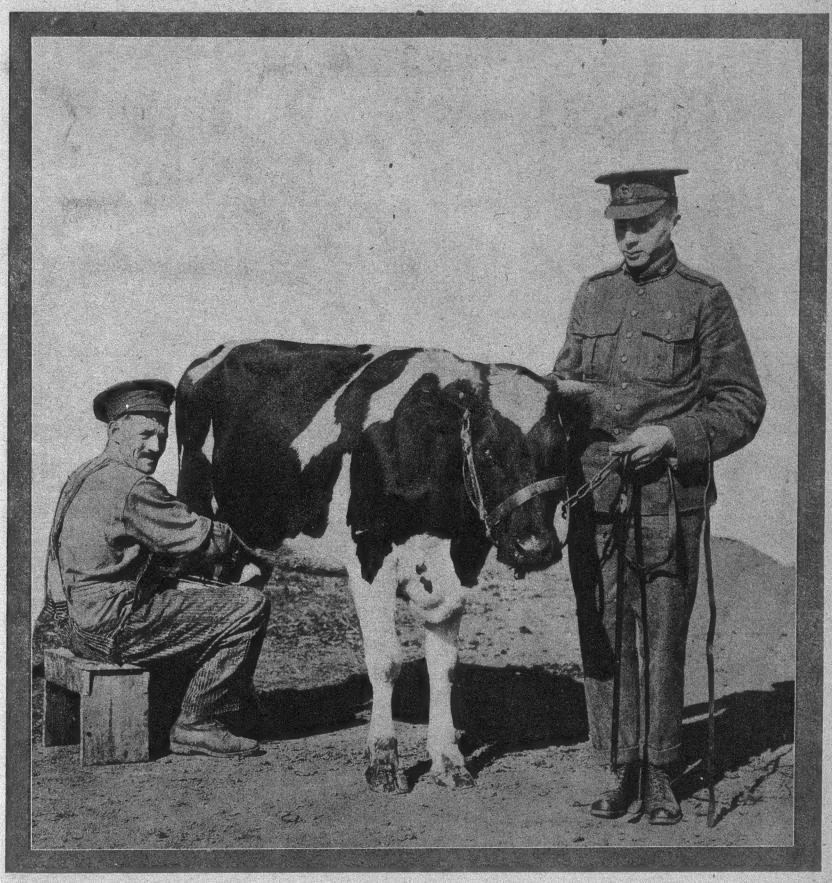
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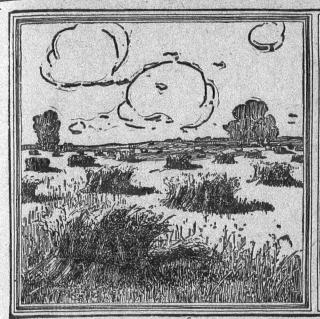
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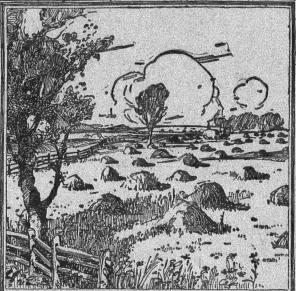
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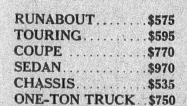
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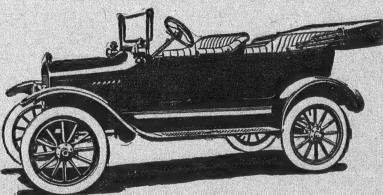
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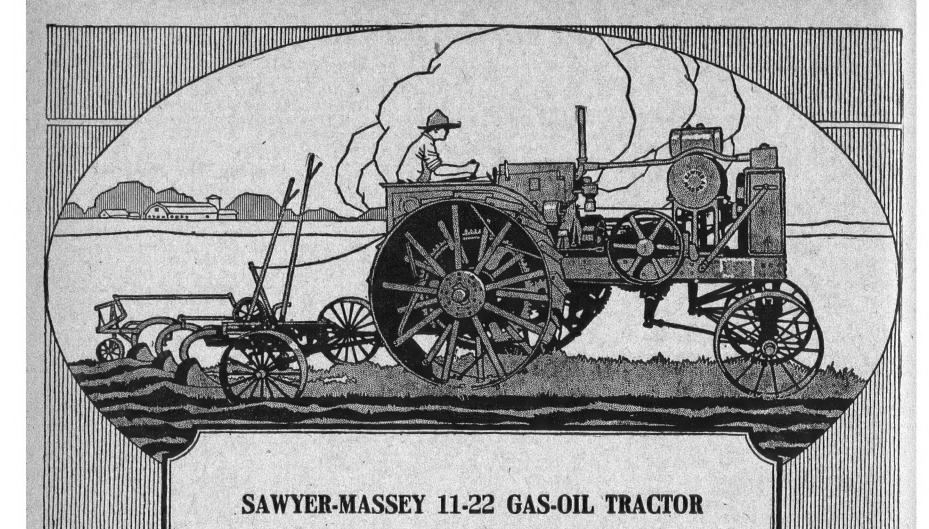
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## A Billion-Dollar Budget

The largest and most important budget. and one of the most disappointing, in the history of Canada, was presented to the federal parliament last week by the acting minister of finance, Hon. A. K. Mac-Lean. It told of an unprecedented total trade for the past fiscal year, due largely to the demands of war. It cited the huge expenditures on war account, amounting to \$878,000,000 for the period dating from the beginning of the war to March 31, 1918, and indicated an increase of \$400,000,000 in that amount before the end of the ensuing fiscal year. It recorded further an unparalleled revenue for the past year, amounting to \$258,000,000, and raised very largely from customs' duties. It concluded with an estimate of the financial need of the country during the next 12 months, at \$980,000,000, and the different items of income required to discharge that amount were outlined. It was proposed that this annual requirement of almost a billion dollars should be met first, by revenue estimated at \$280,000,000; secondly, by advances from Great Britain amounting to \$300,000,000, which would be used to maintain the Canadian forces overseas; thirdly, by the unexpended balance of the Victory Loan of last year, amounting to \$130,000,000; and lastly, by floating further loans this year in Canada, or elsewhere, for the balance of \$280,000,000. But not one measure of practical assistance was suggested for the producer on the land, who, today, is supplying the larger part of the materials entering into the country's greatly-increased export trade.

It will be noted that the government proposes to raise this year from revenue, \$280,-000,000, which is only some \$12,000,000 more than was realized from that source last year. Although our requirements for 1918-19 will be almost 80 per cent. larger than in the fiscal period just closed, the amount of income it is proposed to raise from revenue, will be increased less than five per cent. In order to realize this slight increase, a great pretence at drastic change in methods of taxation has been made. With the exception of an increased duty on tea, coffee, and certain other beverages, and movie films, no change whatever was made in the customs' tariff. The bulk of the extra five per cent. in revenue will be raised through an extension of the scope of the income taxes, and the increase in certain excise taxes. The details of the new tariff may be seen this week under The Guide's department of Business and Finance. This larger application of the direct method of taxation, and the fact that the customs' tariff remained practically unchanged, are supposed to appeal to the West rather strongly.

The truth of the matter is that the majority of the people in the western provinces will be disappointed in the provisions of this year's budget, and The Guide believes that such disappointment is justified. The outstanding weakness in the government's financial program is its failure to take full advantage of the feeling throughout whole of Canada, and particularly in the West, favoring a much heavier tax on incomes. While the enlargement of the Income Tax Act over that of last year is a move in the right direction, it does not plan to realize nearly as much revenue as might be raised by the direct method, and raised without bringing hardship upon any person. The government, incidentally, has neglected also to follow the lead of Great Britain in abolishing the law exempting war bonds from taxation. The desirable end to be attained by any minister of finance at this acute time would be to levy taxes in such a way as to meet the demands of expenditure to the fullest possible extent without entailing the least impairment to the productive strength of the nation. Contrary to the British example, Ottawa still persists in its devotion to a customs' tariff as its chief source of income.

Accordingly, the duty has not been removed from farm machinery entering Canada from the United States. The excuse advanced for not doing so is the need for revenue. And yet, in the very same budget that exhorts the nation to greater production, and to the maintenance of our surplus of exports over imports, the time-worn demand of the farmer for free agricultural implements, is politely ignored. The recommendation of Hon. C. A. Dunning, the Dominion controller of production, is thus also ignored. The western producer is accused by those who do not agree with him. with being animated by selfish motives in insisting, as he does, upon the removal of the tariff on farm machinery. The charge is entirely unfair. The truth is rather that the man living and working on the land of the West under the prevailing conditions of the pioneer, is a better judge of a national necessity than those in older and more comfortable parts of the country whose influence is weighed against him. The West wanted the removal of the duty on farm implements at this session of parliament, because it is felt that the country as a whole would benefit by that reform. Lower the customs' tariff, and make up the loss in revenue by increasing the tax on incomes. That is the view-point of the West, and because Canada's billion-dollar budget is not based on that policy, it will meet with much criticism west of the great lakes.

## **Buy Implements Early**

The Guide takes this opportunity of advising the western farmer, if he is in need of binders or mowers or any of the machinery which he may require later in the season or even next spring, to place his order immediately. The universal shortage of the materials out of which farm implements are made, is so pronounced, and transportation facilities are so uncertain, that deliveries from the East are bound to become increasingly slow as the pressure of the war claims so much railway and shipping equipment on the Atlantic coast. The majority of the farm implement warehouses advise The Guide that deliveries of machinery for use this spring were inadequate to the demand from the prairies. Many a farmer this season is being obliged to make shift with old, worn-out implements. The only recourse, therefore, for those who can afford it is to plan sufficiently in advance so that no season will catch a man unprepared for it in the matter of the proper machinery.

This advice is of more than individual importance. It affects the whole critical situation with regard to the nation's and the world's supply of food. The harvest this summer and autumn promises to be very large. It is now known that the total acreage under crop will exceed that of last year by nearly 5,000,000 acres. Everything must be in readiness for the work of garnering the grain next August. It will probably be difficult to secure all the labor that the country will require for its harvesting season, and

that is all the more reason why the West should be prepared for its work of next fall in every other respect. Take time by the forelock and stock up with all necessary machinery, binder twine, oil and other accessories.

## Blaming The Reporter

In the issue of The Guide of April 10, and under the heading "One Hundred Dollars, Please," we called upon S. R. Parsons. the president of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, to make good his wager of \$100 that certain statements credited to G. M. Murray, the secretary of the C.M.A., could not be corroborated or substantiated. In this week's issue and in another column, we publish a copy of Mr. Parsons' letter written to the editor of the Farmers' Advocate, London, Ont., in reply to The Guide's demand of April 10. He takes the position that the report of G. M. Murray's speech, as published in the Winnipeg Evening Free Press, of February 3, 1910, is not correct, and misrepresents what Mr. Murray actually did say on the occasion of his address in this city at that time.

The actual report of that part of Mr. Murray's speech over which this controversy has arisen, is again reproduced as follows from the Evening Free Press:—

The re-organized Canadian Manufacturers' Association is like a young giant, ignorant of its own powers. By the exercise of these powers, it could, if it chose, bring several millions of people to the verge of starvation, or paralyze the industries of the whole Dominion. From the half-hearted 132 who comprised the whole membership of the association in 1899 (the year of its reorganization), it has grown with such strides that now in 1910 its members number more than 2,500.

This paragraph appeared at the very beginning of the newspaper report, and was couched in quotation marks. It is clearly the accurate transcription of the press reporter's notes, and was presented as the feature of Mr. Murray's address. The president of the C.M.A., however, now quotes his secretary's flat denial of the report, and then proceeds to back it up by easting reflection upon the truthfulness of a press story which appeared before the public more than eight years ago. Mr. Parsons goes so far as to say in his letter: "A simple newspaper report of what was supposed to have been said at any time, would not be accepted in any court of law as evidence." We should like to inform Mr. Parsons that he is quite wrong in his appreciation of the value of a press report in a court of law. The man who reported Mr. Murray's speech in Winnipeg in February. 1910, for the Evening Free Press, by producing his stenographic notes of that speech in court, as evidence, would be a more effective witness in the eyes of the judge that would Mr. Murray or Mr. Parsons with their mere words of denial.

Furthermore, that report after having been published not only in the Winnipeg Evening Free Press, but also in The Grain Growers' Guide, and having been the subject of comment generally throughout Canada, is now denied publicly for the first time. Eight years is a long time to permit such a misrepresentation to stand unchallenged. Mr. Murray and Mr. Parsons however, are not the first men who have taken refuge from the printed words of a speech by blaming the obscure reporter. Nevertheless, to be quite frank, we rather expected to see a man of Mr. Parsons' standing and pretensions disdain to crawl through the very

obvious loophole that was presented to him in this case. If the president of the C.M.A. claims exemption for his \$100 on the poor outworn plea that Secretary Murray was misreported, he ought to be penalized to that extent anyhow, if for nothing else than a lack of originality.

#### War Profits Tax Stays

The tax which has been imposed for three years on excess war profits is not to be abolished as Sir Thomas White hinted it might, at the last session of the federal parliament, when the present war income tax act was introduced. Many people looked forward with interest to the budget which was brought down last week, to see what would happen to the excess profits' tax. But in spite of protests from the big business interests, it was re-enacted, and, if anything, made a little more rigid than it was in 1917 Under the old act, only businesses capitalized at \$50,000 and over, were liable to the excess profits' tax. Now, all businesses employing \$25,000 or over, will come under the act. The tax on the smaller concerns having a capital of less than \$50,000, or more than \$25,000, will be 25 per cent. of all profits in excess of ten per cent. To larger companies, the act applies as before, but the corporation tax which is included as a feature of the War Income Tax Act, may be used as a set-off against the excess war profits levy.

The continued existence of the excess pro-

fits' tax is unquestionably due to the strong pressure of public opinion which would not tolerate Sir Thomas White's suggestion that it be discontinued. Corporation influence, the most powerful in the country, stood behind the minister of finance a year ago, and urged that the earnings of capital be given a freedom unrestricted by a tax on profits over a certain amount. Here in Winnipeg, last June, at the annual convention of the Canadian Manufacturers'Association, a typical argument was advanced against this tax by Colonel Thomas Cantley, president of the Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Corporation, This imposition, he argued, would induce a most disastrous situation amongst big industries like his, and it would be impossible under the burden of that tax, to prepare properly for conditions that would prevail at the close of the war.

People, however, have come to the point, both in Canada and the United States, where their appreciation of money is being estimated in terms of usefulness in the present struggle. It is not so much a case of developing a reserve on which to draw in the future, as to utilize all power in the present. There

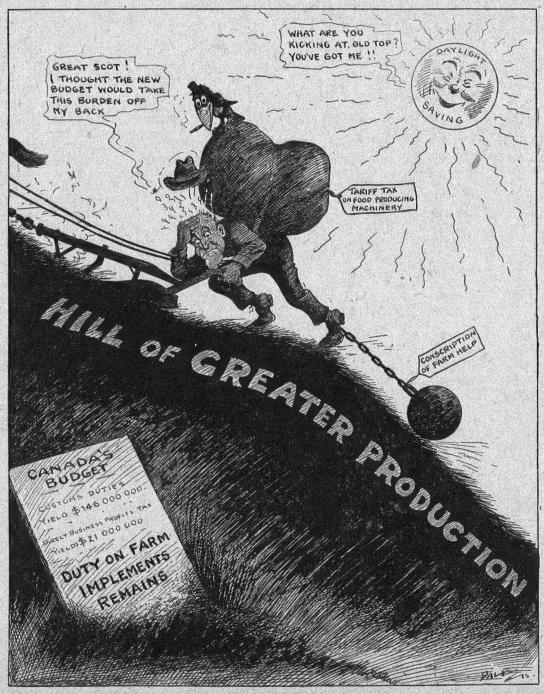
can be no discrimination in favor of corporations, even if it lurks behind the pretext of preparation for the future. The individual laborer and his employer have everything at stake in the issue of the war, and both will have to face the future as best they can, after the present crisis is settled.

## Meat Supplies Needed

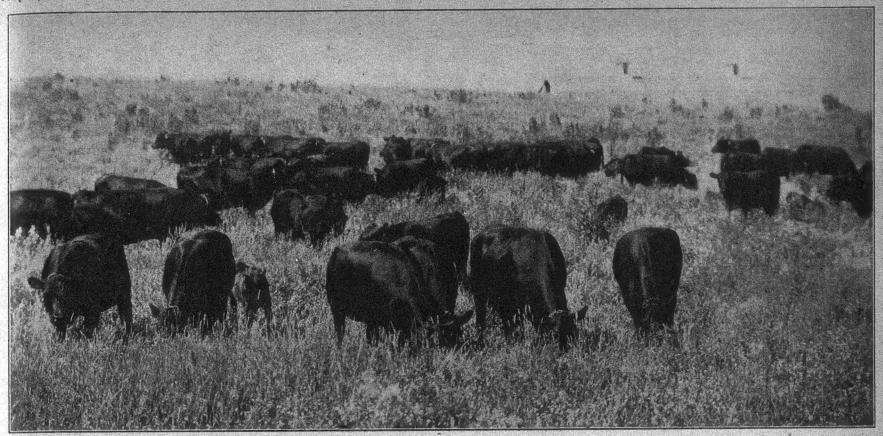
Lord Rhondda, the British Food Controller, said a few days ago, "Bacon is coming forward well but all will be needed to make up the deficiency of meat supplies which are scarcely likely to meet the requirements, even on restricted basis of existing compulsory meat rations." The shortage of meats in England, France and Italy is appalling. It has been stated recently by the Canada Food Board that only one-third of the Italian army could be maintained at the front on account of the food shortage, and that the rations of the French army have had to be reduced. Indications point to an early and a greater call on America for meat supplies. The French High Commissioner in Washington recently said that onehalf of France's horses and half its cattle have been destroyed. England's flocks and herds have been seriously depleted. The scarcity of shipping makes the dependence on Argentine for any meat supplies most precarious, and that connection is likely to be cut off at any time. On United States and Canada devolves the responsibility of producing enough, both of wheat and meat, to make up the Allied deficiencies. The meat products sought by the Allied governments consist of about one-third beef and two-thirds hog products. The beef is taken in the form of frozen quarters and canned, corned and boiled beef. The British government specifies steer beef, weighing 500 to 550 pounds dressed, the French and Italian governments want carcasses weighing 450 to 550 pounds. The hog products are bacon and salted meats, and lard. The purchases made by the Allies are not only for the military forces but for the civilian population as well.

The demand for the maintenance of both beef and pork supplies, but especially the latter, is imperative. The early winter saw a campaign for increased pork production that should mean thousands more young pigs in the farmers' hands this spring. The raising of these with the minimum consumption of grain is now of vital importance. Peas and Oats and Rape or other good annual pastures should find a place on every swineproducer's farm this year, not only as a personal economy but as an imperative national necessity in saving grain. So far, the livestock men of Canada and the United States have supplied without delay all the meats and meat products that could be transported to Europe, and they have in this country at least been laying broader the foundation of future production. Meat restrictions have not generally been so disastrous here as in the United States, where meatless days have now been entirely abandoned for the present. There, it was finally recognized that the restricted

> market for mutton and heavy beef, due to meatless days and lack of shipping had a disastrous effect on production. Thousands of feeders suffered losses that will have a serious effect on their future operations. Since the recent removal of restrictions on meat consumption in the United States, the pulse of the market is back much nearer to normal, and producers are much more satisfied. Feed has been scarce this spring and farmers have had a most difficult time carrying stock over. It has cost them much but their sacrifices at worst are but small to what many are making in the warworn Allied countries. The draft is hitting many hard, and it may seem difficult to "carry on," but our utmost efforts to maintain our livestock resources must continue, because these are not only vital to the feeding of the Allied, and our own, armies overseas, but because livestock farming. war or no war, is the foundation of good farming, and vital to after - war reconstruction both here and in European nations, which must depend largely on America for rebuilding their flocks and herds.



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# VESTOCK IN WAR TIME

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Farm animals utilize many products which would be wasted without them. They maintain soil fertility and the crop-growing capacity of the land. They offer a ready means for storing roughage, concentrating it and holding it in suitable form for emergencies. They are machines to utilize and manufacture non-edible products into edible forms. They offer a diversified means of

They are machines to utilize and manufacture non-edible products into edible forms They offer a diversified means of agriculture. They supply the best market for farm crops. They regulate and distribute the work evenly over the year. They furnish the only means for utilizing immense areas in the west. They lend a charm to farm life and develop industrious habits in young and old.

Livestock and Waste Elimination
Stockmen in the United States and
Canada should aim to produce a maximum number of pounds of human food
from their farms. It happens that
practically all animals thrive best when
given reasonable amounts of grain, but
grain is suitable for human consumption, and at least 75 per cent. of the
food value is lost by feeding it to animals and consuming the animal promals and consuming the animal products resulting. It so happens, however, that livestock may be used chiefly for consuming waste products. The table waste of one individual can half-feed a chicken or half-feed one-tenth of a hog, and along with the garbage, alfalfa hay and a small amount of grain will make well-balanced rations. The use of a small amount of grain in such feeding may result in fully two or three times as great returns as when fed The place of Livestock in war economy, by R. H. Williams in The Breeders' Gazette, Chicago

alone. This is the reason why certain alone. This is the reason why certain grains may be used to advantage in supplementing otherwise unsatisfactory rations, while they would be unprofitable if fed alone. Hogs and poultry require food of a concentrated nature, and therefore, they should be limited to the extent of their ability to utilize to the extent of their ability to utilize waste or foods which would accumulate without them. Skim-milk, which may be easily converted into cottage cheese and used directly for human consumption, may also be used for hogs profitably in small amounts to supply protein in a ration otherwise unbalanced. It is important that we should strike an efficient balance between the various foods used for animal tween the various foods used for animal and human consumption. Certainly and human consumption. Certainly we cannot hope to do without the hen and hog, even if grains cost two to three cents a pound, for these animals may be largely fed on waste.

Livestock may be used to the best

advantage as scavangers, and those that are best suited for this purpose will always be in greatest demand. Coarse bulky foods such as hay, straw, range plants and the products of manufacture, including bran, cotton-seed meal, oil-cake, butter-milk, skim-milk, beet pulp, gluten, and a hundred other feeds would be of little value without live-

Millons of dollars' worth of crops are lost annually in this country that could be utilized by livestock. Weeds and lost annually in this country that could be utilized by livestock. Weeds and fodder growing on ditch banks, roadsides, fence-corners and in all out-of-the-way places should be converted into meat, wool or milk. This may be done with facility if the farm operations are managed with a view to utilizing these products to their maximum. Livestock must convert corn and alfalfa, and the waste products of cotton and wheat, as well as millions of tons of range forage into meat, milk and wool. Even on the best-managed farms there is considerable waste. Take the wheat crop: 60 per cent of the wheat crop is found in the straw and another 10 per cent. is rejected in the bran. Farm animals are required to utilize this 70 per cent. of the wheat plant and con-vert it into a product of greater service to human beings.

The true place of farm animals in the nation and the world should be decided on, and then operations conducted so

that the animals may serve best. It so happens that there are certain animals which may be useful for special purposes where other animals would fail. poses where other animals would fail. Dairy cows, pigs and poultry do best on farms where feeds are supplied them, while beef cattle, sheep, goats and horses will thrive on the open range. There is no place inhabited by man where animals cannot serve. It requires knowledge of the various characteristics of the animals, and good judgment in order to place them where they can serve best. Our problem is to fit in livestock where it is of greatest service. The slogan should be: "Livestock where stock can serve best," and not, "More livestock."

How to Increase Livestock
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The west is not receiving maximum returns from the livestock industry. Careful estimates indicate that with proper management it is possible to increase the number of animals on the range fully 20 per cent. During the next 10 years this increase should be reached. Livestock preparedness should be seriously considered by range stockmen. Among the specific ways to effect it are the following:—

Conserve the range—Reduce the mortality. Improve methods of management. Use better animals. Buy land and develop it. Destroy poisonous plants. Co-operate in production and marketing. Use registered sires. Destroy predatory animals. Develop more water. Raise silage to tide animals over drouth. Have better sanitation. Secure a higher percentage of offspring.

If stockmen in the west would improve conditions and attend to their animals as well as they could, it is certain that fully 40 per cent more food could be produced, and this would be of better quality. By culling out inferior animals and providing better conditions for those that remain greater returns will be possible. There are too many culls on the range. The following

returns will be possible. There are too many culls on the range The following considerations may guide in eliminating the unprofitable animals:-

Get rid of all males and females that do not produce, or are not regular breeders. Cull out all narrow, long-legged animals. Sell the wild ones. Grade your stock so as to get it uniform in size, color, breed type and other characteristics. Sell breeding animals before they get so old and infirm that the

mortality is high. Castrate all grade males. Discard inferior native females. Cull out all animals that are weak in constitution or do not reach early maturity. Eliminate the small animals and those that are not good rustlers.

It is a mistake to in-breed range animals, or to breed females at too young an age. The bulls should be kept up and fed during the winter months. The best animals require more attention than the inferior ones, for

attention than the inferior ones, for those animals improved by man require man's attention to maintain their quality. Among the chief considerations of improving animals by means of breeding are the following:—

Use nothing but pure-bred sires of one particular breed. Never sell the best individuals, but cull the inferior ones. Take proper care of stock during critical periods so as to avoid high mortality or low yield of offspring. Secure a special market. Avoid inbreeding. Do not breed from immature animals, but allow them to gain their growth. growth.

The Responsibility of Stockmen Western stockmen on the irrigated and dry-farms also have a responsibility at this time. They should reorganize their operations so as to increase food production. Each person should look over his farm and take stock with a view to increase his food units which may be marketed as a surplus. They may plow up strips of inferior land and seed crops which will produce more food, make every inch produce its maximum, grow the greatest crops possible of those foods which are the best for man or farm animals conserve the man of these foods which are the best for man or farm animals, conserve the manure and spread it over fields, prevent disease by proper sanitation, clean up the farmstead and burn all rubbish, watch the animals more closely and treat them for screw worms and lice, provide feed and comfortable quarters for stock, avoid losses due to inferior feeding or bloating, vaccinate for blackleg and hog cholera, test cows for tuberculosis and kill all reacting animals, use greater precaution in purchasing animals to make certain that chasing animals to make certain that they are free from infectious diseases, use more efficient animals, and develop greater sympathy for the business.

American producers of human food dare not take chances, they should follow well tested practices which are known to yield returns. This is no time for experimentation, but safe and certain products should be emphasized. Each stockman has a distinctive work to perform and he should feel the responsibility.

# The Winning of the Liberty Bond

By Walter Moore\*

HAD weighed the possibility for several months of that old friend of

ing out all the sentiment in our souls We discussed some chocolate bon-bons, sharing them with Buck as always. When they were finished, Mrs. Blazer resumed her knitting while Buck, lux-

resumed her knitting while Buck, luxury-lover that he was, snoozed snugly
at my feet, his head resting pillowfashion upon one of them. And
silently I was thinking of all the
friends that fading little gay, gray head
had made of the pleasure and comfort
he had carried to many hearts and
houses in our little old home town.

There was poor George Ware, for
years an invalid, always glad to see
him: no visitor was so welcome as the

him; no visitor was so welcome as the little half-grey face of Buck as he made his morning call, each day for weeks, before the good man passed on

There was "Bawley" Wilson—how often he bragged to me that every chicken he owned owed its life to Buck; hadn't he caught fifteen rats at

My first move came the next morning, when I took Buck in the ear, and with a sack of chocolates, drove to the fair grounds to make the introduction that

several months of that old friend of mine, as the one last chance to make Wish feel at home, wherever we might take him, without ever letting my plans become known, but from that night, when we had had our heart-to-heart confab, I firmly decided to try once more to win the Liberty Bond stake, decending on my old part as I so was to either dissolve my interest for ever in race horses or make me the happiest owner in the world.

With doubts and hopes alternating, I opened the door to Wish's stall, chocolates in one hand and Buck in my arms. The food conservator surveyed us for a minute then flattened more to win the Liberty Bond stake, depending on my old pard, as I so often called him, as the means of my gaining my heart's most coveted desire. I had watched and marveled for years at his unrivaled facility in making friends. No matter how reserved people might be, it was always the same story. Though taciturn, even unapproachable, to other men, when that little old canine smile-bearer stopped them, wherever and whenever he met them a kind word and welcome pat came instanter from the most distant of them all. Familiar as it was, always it seemed a marvel. my arms. The food conservator surveyed us for a minute, then flattened his ears on his neck at the sight of Buck I half audibly said, "Don't you make one move at this friend-maker of mine, or I will go out of the speed business with one stroke and the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals will have a case of murder on Animals will have a case of murder on their hands, for if you harm this dog, I'll kill you in your tracks!'' I stood like a statue for at least two always it seemed a marvel.

Mrs. Blazer and I sat by the mellow light from the grate fire in early October, the comfort and warmth bring-

minutes, my mind a whirl seeking some thought to put into action. Finally I gave Buck a chocolate and offered one to Wish, which he hesitatingly ate.

the spectacle, and still more so when the same occurrence took place the next morning. From the day of their first caress a friendship seemed to have been

slanted up to the feed box which served as a means by which Buck could get up to the horse's nose while he ate his rations. This arrangement proved a happy thought as Buck often lay on the stake, my money was to be refunded, not as a refund, but as a reward for my staying qualities. As I expected, when the entries to the stake, which had now become the leading one of the world for aged trotters, was published, the turf press had a regular riot of sarcasm.

As usual the preparation of Wish was a joy for his trainer. Buck moved his bed room temporarily to the fair grounds, spending his nights and much of the day time in Wish's stall. He also learned to go to the track repeat day, and when Wish was finishing a mile, he would jump and bark with joy, being too smart to run out onto the track, but was always the first to greet the horse when he was pulled up after a heat. On his part Wish was just as keen to hear that sharp bark also, for invariably he would flash his ears forward whenever its joyous call reached them.

The last keying-up miles—what gems As usual the preparation of Wish was

The last keying up miles—what gems of speed and the ability to carry it they were! The fastest ones were 2:03, evenly rated, and 2:024, last half in :594, then a last half in :594, last quarter in :284—and now we were ready to find out whether Buck's friendship would be of any value as a

campaign asset.
Shipping day came and I watched the caravan to see if Wish would show the former signs of disquietude at leaving home; but with Buck on his back as they marched to the station, I failed to see one single symptom of his failed to see one single symptom of his former regret at starting away. The occupants of the express car were Rufus Paul, trainer; Patsy McGonigal, valet; Buck Johnston, chum, confidant and appetite furnisher; and Wish, eligible to any class—all billed to Springfield, O., and there to see if the combination would work. I failed to even take one wink of sleen the night after seeing wink of sleep the night after seeing the forlorn hope off on the train. Quietly I told Patsy to wire me if the horse ate anything on the car en-route,

horse ate anything on the car en-route, and the day after arriving this is what he duly wired back: ''Yes. Three equare meals every day since we left, including a four dollar hole in my Panama hat.''

I had planned to try at least two or three races over the half-mile tracks, to get some little line on what to expect of the world's champion fasting race horse, so made the trip to Springfield on Monday of race week there, and with a quaking feeling asked Patsy. and with a quaking feeling asked Patsy, when I reached our stall, if he needed any feed. He said, "Well, I don't today; but if this wolf don't keep his nose out of the manger, you will have to send on a car load before we ever see Toledo."

"You don't mean it, do you?"
"Of course I do. He eats like a freelunch fiend all the time."
"How's Buck?"

"Oh, he's the whole show around this race track. He's talked the secretary out of two passes for a couple of stray pups he has boarding with him now."

Race day dawned and Rufus won the

2:30 trot so easy there was no semblance of a contest; best time 2:12½, and did I feel good? Patsy wrote home to all the boys how things were coming along with the chestnut, and we shipped on over to Finlay.

on over to Finlay.

Again Patsy reported the same old thing—nothing at all but eat for Mr. Wish. "Sure enough, Patsy," says I, "the does eat like a real campaigner. But—"

"Say," he answered, "just give me much it costs for alfalfa;"

A party of my friends came round to see me and the horse, and one of them remarked: "Say, Blazer, is this the Hoover horse?"—the one that can't eat anything but home cooking?"

I looked a little vacantly at him, saying simply, "Yes, this is the one." "Well, he don't look like a steed that had ever missed a meal!" Then

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caress a friendship seemed to have been born, and I felt that progress was being made when the horse began nickering for the dog the minute my car stopped in front of the barn, on my daily visits to the track. In two months' time, that there was an understanding between the two was certain. As the winter days rolled by I often gave them chocolates to dig out of the sack together, which they did without a murmur of dissent. Many times I watched their comradeship, my mind busy with thoughts of what it might mean to me. Spring came and I had a small aperture made in the door of Wish's stall, that Buck might have free access to and from it. Then I had a wide board slanted up to the feed box which served



Wish Reached Over and Licked Buck on the Top of His Pate

Buck; hadn't he eaught fifteen rats at one session when the young chickens were disappearing nightly? From that day Buck became a regular visitor to the Wilson domicile, sure of a hearty welcome and of a bite to eat, as some favorite child. When sickness came and poor old "Bawley" became too ill to leave his bed, each morning a little visitor would peer into the window and be admitted to the sick room. A wasted hand would slowly appear from under hand would slowly appear from under the cover to feebly pat the little head resting on the snowy counterpane, the sick man's lips parting in a satisfied happy smile. No other caller was more welcome. He bore no thought of crit-ism, neither did he offer unfelt words of solace; just winked those kindly, trusting eyes, and with a way of his trusting eyes, and with a wag of his stubby tail, expressed affection without

There was that grim old soldier, John Hatcher, a veteran of the Civil War, who barely nodded, even to comrades of his soldier days, yet when Buck met him with his all-subduing smile, the old man always reached down and patted the little grey head, so confidently lifted. Often they would toddle off down the street together, comrades for

ly lifted. Often they would toddle off down the street together, comrades for a half hour's visit, then Buck would ramble on home, to inspect his own rug in a cosy corner on the front porch.

Was it any wonder, as all these things passed before my vision, that I thought he might supply the something lacking to make that great and greatly-disappointing trotter feel at home wherever he might be?

Other men I heard brag of their dogs being one-man dogs, not even noticing

being one-man dogs, not even noticing the tid-bits or friendly pats of strangers. But Buck!—why, I loved him all the more because everybody loved him; because every man, woman or child was made welcome by him with his joy-ous smile. If he could make friends with the most reserved and moody people in town, why shouldn't I try him with a horse, even though other dogs had

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Another and another bon-bon was handed first to one, then to the other, without the first sign of acquaintance on the part of the horse, while that old dog nearly set me going when he wagged his bob-tail as the horse drew nearer for another bits. I didn't continue the introduction painfully long to either animal, resolving on short but frequent attempts. Every day for three weeks, or until the fall had almost gone, Buck and I journeyed to the fair grounds on our mission of making friends with that handsome chestnut gelding. I could not see that I was making any could not see that I was making any headway, for Wish drew back each time I tried to get their noses close together, and I was beginning to think my last card was to fail of taking a trick. Then, just a day or so before Christmas, when the morning lesson was being gone over, I received one of the best surprises of the year, or, in fact, of my entire life, when Wish reached over and licked Buck on the top of his pate! My feelings surged up and down like a stage heroine's when that old dog returned the compliment two-fold by lighting that he is the stage of the stage heroine's when that old dog returned the compliment two-fold by lighting that he is the stage of the stage o fold by licking that chestnut nose several times, to the evident pleasure of the horse. I was so delighted that I called both Rufus and Pstsy to watch

the little platform we built beside the feed box while Wish tucked away his dinner, in apparent solid comfort at having the world's champion friend-maker for his chum.

Repeating time drew on and Patsy taught Buck, old as he was, to carry the halter strap in his mouth, while Wish was doing his cooling out exercise.

Then he learned to ride the horse on the blanker a pleasure he gave voice to the blanket, a pleasure he gave voice to in loud barks when he was being lifted up on Wish's back. That they were friends, yea, even bosom pals by now, I had no doubt of; but whether it would dispel the homesickness the horse had always shown when he was taken away to the races was still a matter of doubt, certain as I was that the horse seemed so perfectly content with his little old canine friend at his side.

It was now entry time, and with mixed hopes and misgivings, for the third time I sent in an entry to the Liberty Bond stake at Toledo—the chestnut gelding Wish, by Noble Worthy. When my entry was received by the Toledo association, President Mooney wrote me personally that the entry had been booked and that the officers had directed him to say to me that if my nomination did not get any part of

# Caring for Your Seed Plot

OR the benefit of those who are growing Red Bobs and Kitchener wheat for the first time this season wheat for the first time this season it is advisable to point out some of their characteristics and offer a few suggestions with regard to the best time to cut and harvest them. There are no two varieties exactly alike. Each variety of every kind of crop possesses characters that are not found in any water exercisty. The aloin for Rad Bobs. characters that are not found in any other variety. The claim for Red Bobs is made that it is an earlier ripening sort than Marquis or Red Fife or other wheat excepting Prelude and some other very early sorts.

It is altogether likely that small parcels of this wheat that are being seeded this season may be sown on the

parcels of this wheat that are being seeded this season may be sown on the thin side in order to make them cover as much ground as possible. Besides, small quantities of wheat do not run through the seeder as freely as when the hopper of the seeder is full. In this case, Red Bobs, being an early ripening sort, may not ripen as early as might be expected, or as it will when seeded at the same rate as other sorts. To arrive at a fair test as to its earliness arrive at a fair test as to its earliness as compared with other wheats they should be sown under equal conditions should be sown under equal conditions or nearly so. It depends largely also on seasonable factors, or whether it is grown on new land—breaking or back-setting—stubble-plowed land, spring or fall plowing, or on some rich portion of the farm, as to the period it takes to ripen this wheat. As Red Bobs will be grown this season in the different districts of the three prairie provinces tricts of the three prairie provinces under many different conditions it would be well to take this into consideration. Red Bobs will be found to be an early ripening sort in any case, as compared with Marquis or Fife, and if seeded under equal conditions may be expected to mature from a week to ten

days sooner.
As this article deals with both Red Bob and Kitchener wheat I shall describe them separately.

Characteristics of Red Bobs

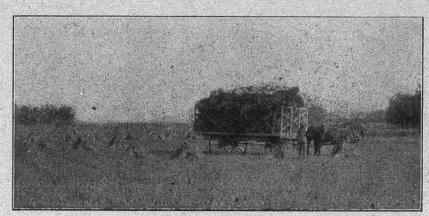
The earlier a variety of wheat is in ripening the lower it may be expected to yield. Early ripening wheats do not stool as freely as later maturing sorts, as their growing season is shorter. This is not the case with Red Bobs. In respect to yield, while it does not stool as freely as some sorts, it is a fair stooling sort as some sorts, it is a fair stooling sort. Beside its earliness it possesses several other good characters in point of yield which really is the chief concern of every grower; no matter how early ripening a variety is it will be discarded for a variety that gives good average yields. The chief character of Red Bobs has been described in other issues of The Guide, but I would point out a few of them at this time.

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Red Bobs may be classed as a fair stooling wheat. When growing in the field or plot it may appear to stand less thickly on the ground than later sorts. Still in spite of this fact it will yield equally and in some cases better than other sorts. This is due to the fact that it possesses a solid, well filled head, with the spikelets filled from

Suggestions Respecting Red Bobs and Kitchener Wheat---by Seager Wheeler



Hauling in Wheat on Seager Wheeler's Farm

the base of the head to the tip, while in other wheats the spikelets are often in other wheats the spikelets are often empty at the lower portion of the head and in some cases at the tip as well. Grown side by side with Marquis on my own farm, it has out-yielded Marquis by 8 to 10 bushels per acre, in the only two seasons they were grown side by side. I do not make the claim that it will do so under every condition. Where it may be sown in the different districts of the west, sown on old land it will ripen asplier that on summerfullow. will ripen earlier than on summerfallow,

I would suggest that every grower of Red Bobs this season watch the growth closely, and note when the first heads appear, in comparison with other wheats growing under similar condi-

When to Cut Red Bobs

It is the general custom to cut the wheat crop when the straw is ripe or nearly so. It depends a good deal on the season whether the grain or the straw ripens first. It is good practice not to take too much notice of the

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or on a very rich portion of the field.

Another characteristic of Red Bobs is its great strength of straw. It can be grown on lands and stand up where other wheats will lodge and go down. This is a great feature of this wheat as lodged grain does not fill properly, and is more susceptible to frost and disease

such as rust or mildew.

The head is very upright, strong and solid and can be bound in nice clean sheaves. It threshes more easily than Marquis; the grain is short and round.

straw, but to watch the berry closely, straw, but to watch the berry closely, as Red Bobs may be riper than is apparent by the condition of the straw. If the growing season is prolonged, due to abundant moisture in the soil or cool weather, the straw is likely to remain greener than it otherwise would. If the berry is squeezed, and no moisture is found, it is ready to harvest, independent of the color of the straw. This point was explained in detail in a former issue of The Guide, in "The Time to Cut the Wheat Crop."

Red Bobs may be ready to cut and in some instances left standing longer than is necessary and may then not show as much difference in ripening with other wheats. Red Bobs and Kitchener wheat also may be cut in some seasons while the straw is still green, and still give a fine, well-matured sample of grain, where later wheats at a similar stage may shrink if cut.

Red Bobs is being grown this season in different parts of the three prairie provinces and every grower should take special note of the characters of this wheat that I have pointed out. It will be sown under widely different conditions, on light and heavy soils and in districts of light and heavy rainfall. In the drier districts and on light soil it can be expected to mature more quickly than in moister districts and on heavy soil where the growing period will be longer. The most important point is to note the growth in comparison with other wheats under equal conditions.

For the benefit of those who are growing this wheat in the drier districts, and where the straw does not grow, in

For the benefit of those who are growing this wheat in the drier districts, and where the straw does not grow, in an average season, as tall as in the moister districts, the straw may ripen prematurely and in this case it is important to let the crop stand and give it every chance to properly develop and mature the grain by letting it remain until the berry is quite firm. This may also apply to very light soils. On heavier soil and in districts where there is a normal or abundant rainfall there is a normal or abundant rainfall it may be cut while the straw has a green shade, providing the berry is fit,

as I have pointed out.

If the foregoing suggestions are followed by every grower, we shall be able to know how Red Bobs behaves under the different conditions of soil and season in the widely different parts of the wheat-growing area of the west.

The most important characters of this wheat lie in its early maturing quali-ties, and average good yields whereby it may be harvested safely before early fall frosts or rust can injure it, and thus also extend the period of seeding a few days longer in the spring than is now wise and safe with Marquis, Red Fife or other wheats, especially when sown on spring plowed lands,

Characteristics of Kitchener

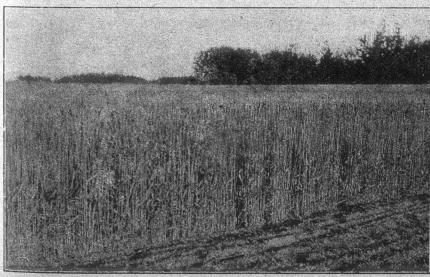
The characteristics of Kitchener have been fully described in The Guide in

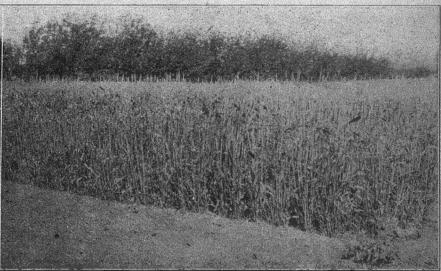
been fully described in The Guide in past issues, so I shall only point out a few of the main ones. This wheat when grown under good average conditions shows a good length of straw, with upright head, usually well filled. I know of no other wheat that fills in the head so completely and full and plump and

smooth.

When properly matured the heads are heavy and solid indicating good yielding qualities. The grain is of large size. It stools freely and the stand size. It stools freely and the stand on the ground is heavy, more so than any other sort that I know of. Consequently, it does not mature any earlier than Marquis but it is no later under

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# United Farmers of Alberta

WE have the following letter from Chas H. Harris, director of the Medicine Hat district;—

May I ask for space in the Alberta page of The Grain Growers' Guide, to make an appeal to the farmers in the Medicine Hat district, to wake up and get busy and assist in getting every tiller of the soil to become a member of the U.F.A.

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ity. The very latest advice from the battle front tells us that the liberty

Come, Brother Farmer, we need you, and you need us; we want to get together; remember, our interests are all alike—what is good for one is good for the other.

We know there are in every neighborhood good sound-thinking men and wo-men, that can be of great assistance in promoting the cause for which the U.F.A. stands; in fact, there is hardly a man or woman but who has good ideas germinate under his or her hat, and we want you all to get together and assist us in sifting out the best, and applying them to our many problems, so that we may settle them right, and by so doing, better our social and financial condi-

We must remember that we are living in the age of time, when all industrial and business concerns are thoroughly organized and that we are constantly dealing with those concerns, and unless we are also organized, we are dealing with a disadvantage, and therefore we are most sure to get the worst of it. We are always at the mercy of the other fellow. In years gone by, we have had to submit and allow a bunch of gamblers to make the price of the product of labor, and many a time that price has been so low that it did not give us wages for our labor. Last year we got out of that sort of thing, but, Brother Farmer, unless we strengthen our organization by securing more members to our locals so as to give strength and strong backing to our able presidealing with those concerns, and unless and strong backing to our able president when he goes to do battle for our cause, and fight for a square deal for you and me and every tiller of the soil, we can expect nothing but a return to the gamblers' principle as soon as the war is over.

We have the strength and ability, if we only wake up and use it. I cannot expect more space at this time in which to point out the many reasons why we should all be united in this great cause, but I am at liberty to go anywhere in the Medicine Hat district and assist in strengthening the locals we now have, and organize new ones, wherever the farmers may wish to have me come.

#### Clairmont's Big Rally

One of the largest and most successful U.F.A. meetings ever held in the north country assembled in Clairmont in the Grande Prairie district Monday, March 25th. Sixty-two duly accredited delegates were in attendance. With the kindness of the Rev. M. Younger the Baptist church building was occupied on this occasion. With the 62 delegates and many visiting members, even standing room was at a premium. On the platform were the following: Joshus Fletcher, president; J. H. Harris, viezpresident; Rev. C. F. Hopkins, secretary-treasurer; W. F. Bredin, district director on the Central board. W. Molyneaux, of Calgary, representing the livestock branch of the Grain Growers Ltd., and M. Reynolds, a new arrival in the settlement, who has purchased a farm near Clairmont. Some fourteen farm near Clairmont. Some fourteen years ago Mr. Reynolds was present at one of the first meetings which the organized farmers ever held in Alberta. This was the historic meeting held in the Robbin Hill schoolhouse,

On his opening address, Joshua Fletcher spoke as follows:-

At this meeting of the Grande Prairie District Association of the United Farmers of Alberta called here today we hoped to have been able to arrange for representation from each of the nineteen local unions in Grande Prairie and Peace River land districts. In meeting here today we do so knowing that the world is going through the most strenuous times known to human-

battle front tells us that the liberty and freedom of our race hang in the balance. It is a grave question at this moment where we need our men the most. We need men of physical excellence and calm judgment in the first line of defence. We require the ceaseless energy of our scientists that we may keep pace with those wonderful and terrible engines of destruction. We need men of ability and honesty in our parliament and legislative halls. We need men of ability and honesty in our parliament and legislative halls. We believe that throughout Canada and the United States we are well supplied with men of large calibre and ability. Let us try then to keep in the front rank men of honesty and integrity. It has been said that "an honest man is the noblest work of God," and some humorist has added "and it is about the rarest." Coming nearer home it is our duty as individuals and it is the duty of this

Coming nearer home it is our duty as individuals and it is the duty of this organization and the most important duty at the present time to increase production and safeguard transportation in every possible way. We regret that it is a fact that while we may take care of production and receive the approval therefor from our various governments and other combinations of men, still we painfully realize that our transportation system of railway and steamship lines, including the cold storage plan of handling perishable products, are in the hands of huge corporations. It has been truly said that these ducts, are in the hands of huge corpora-tions. It has been truly said that these corporations have no conscience and no soul. The railway companies have suc-ceeded in convincing the authorities at Ottawa that they must have another increase of fifteen per cent. on their already high charges. This has now gone into effect and a vast sum of money will be demanded of Canadian industry to buy titles and build up a Canadian aristocracy. The railway com-

money will be demanded of Canadian industry to buy titles and build up a Canadian aristocracy. The railway companies, so we are informed, cancelled all convention rates as affecting the organized bodies of industrial classes. The reason given is that the common people were protesting against any increase in passenger and freight rates. Recent reports state that the president of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association in Toronto, in company with six of his colleagues, appeared before the government at Ottawa and protested against the importation of farm tractors by the government. They protested against the free admission of farm machinery and made a general protest against any further concessions being granted to the farmers before their being consulted. These huge corporations throughout Canada and the United States are thoroughly and effectively organized. They believe, as we are forced to believe, that any government, no matter by what name it is known, will yield to the strongest pressure. They are demanding legislation and fixing unnecessary conditions under the pretext of war necessity, but experience teaches us that what they gain the pretext of war necessity, but experience teaches us that what they gain they never relinquish.

they never relinquish.

Various resolutions will be presented to you today regarding food production, the sale of food products and the fixing of prices. During the present year your executive will come in closer touch with our own central body at Calgary through our having elected W. F. Bredin on our Central board. We should also find ourselves a little closer related to the Canadian Council of Agriculture and in a position to assist in solving those larger problems which confront the industrial people of Canada.

the industrial people of Canada.

Our organization during the early years of its existence found it absoyears of its existence found it absolutely necessary to engage in the grain trade that we might learn the whole business from the inside. This has been highly successful. This afternoon you will hear an address, which I assure you you will appreciate, by M. W. Molyneaux, of Leduc, dealing with the cooperative shipping of livestock. Mr. Molyneaux is an accredited representative of our own company. "The United tive of our own company, "The United

Grain Growers Ltd." We trust that this district association will proceed under his direction to form a commercial branch. In this we will be wisely instructed from time to time by Mr. Stephen, the superintendent of our elevators in this district.

The grain trade of the past season has been surrounded by unusual conditions and extremely difficult to handle. The shareholders of our local elevators The shareholders of our local elevators are to be congratulated upon having a man so capable of dealing with the public and at the same time retaining the confidence of the head office. Our relationship to other organizations is something which we must carefully consider individually and collectively. The Grain Growers of Manitoba and the Grain Growers of Saskatchewan and the United Farmers of Alberta stand

Grain Growers of Manitoba and the Grain Growers of Saskatchewan and the United Farmers of Alberta stand together as one great family. Recently we have admitted to this family the United Farmers of Ontario, an organization patterned after our own in the Province of Ontario with the greatest variety of products of any province in the Dominion and a population of over two and one half million people. The United Farmers of Ontario should reach our highest expectations.

Turning to our sister province of British Columbia we may say that our relationship as conducted by our Central bodies has not been so successful. In our Edmonton convention, January, 1917, we were pleased to meet the president of the B. C. Fruit Growers' Association on our platform. We noticed with regret that organized agriculture in B.C. was not represented on the platform of our Calgary convention, January, 1918. Situated as we are, British Columbia is our natural outlet. If we can make it possible, our orders for fruit and other products of that province should be sent there. The death of the late Premier Brewster was a serious loss to Western Canada and most particularly was it a loss to Grande ince should be sent there. The death of the late Premier Brewster was a serious loss to Western Canada and most particularly was it a loss to Grande Prairie. Last fall, where the late Premier and a number of his associates visited this settlement, we noticed the warm sympathy he had in our affairs and how he appreciated our geographical position and our natural resources. On this occasion the Premier and his company were entertained at a banquet in the Grande Prairie hotel in Grande Prairie City, and although a serious wrong was committed there, it was no fault of our visitors that no representation of organized agriculture was allowed to appear before them. The program was entirely made up of the legal fraternity of that much advised city.

We are informed that our guest was himself surprised at such a prosperous bunch of lawyers and that agriculture, the basic industry of this province, was not in evidence. The premier was quick to grasp the situation and said in his address that he belonged to the industrial class and followed rough outdoor work along the Canadian coast line. We observed that he was not guilty of being a lawyer politician.

We are being asked now to co-operate in a measure with merchants' associations and boards of trade. These matters are worthy of your consideration. In conclusion we may state that a more complete organization and a largely increased membership are the urgent requirements of the time and we trust that any effort made here today along commercial lines will simplify our advance and ingrease will shapely in increased membership in

trust that any effort made here today along commercial lines will simplify our advance and increase membership in our local unions.

## Annual Report Delayed

We very much regret to inform you that owing to the unprecedented scarcity of printers' labor in this part of the country, the restrictions due to the operation of the Factory Act, and other matters wholly beyond our control, the issue of our Annual Report, approximately scheduled for last month, has been delayed.

Our printers, however, are now working as as hard as they possibly can, and without making any definite promises intimate that the work will be off the presses before very

The members of our different locals are looking forward eagerly to this issue, and for this reason we are just as anxious as everyone concerned that there shall be as little further delay as possible.—Yours faithfully, The United Farmers of Alberta, Publicity Department.

# Manitoba Grain Growers

when the year was up the secre-tary never notified me, and I dropped out." The farmer who spoke these words expected the secretary to get after the fees. If a man were on the list for 1917 he expected the secretary at the opening of 1918 to be on the job to see that if possible the man was kept in good standpossible the man was kept in good standing by paying his annual fee. Doubtless the expectation was justified. A live organization, with live officials should see to it that no one drops off just because he is not gone after. Moral: Has your local association every one on its list to day as paid-up members who were on it in 1917? If not, don't wait for any June campaign. Go after them in May

And there's another side to the story. The Grain Grower who is a real live member in 1917 will not wait till June member in 1917 will not wait till June of 1918 to pay his membership fee. He will not wait till the secretary "goes after him." He will walk up, if not at the annual meeting, then as soon after it as possible and he will put down the "stuff" for the new year. He will net soon enough to obviate any possibility of any official coming after him, but will be on the job of getting others like minded to hunt up the secretary and make him smile. Try it before June. before June,

## Pep

Pep, which may not be exactly a classic term, stands for purpose, and point, and push—for design and direction, and dynamic. Possibly it is just the thing your association needs, the thing you ought to get into it in the month of June.

Purpose, worthy enough to enlist the sympathy of your best and worthiest, unselfish enough to appeal to the most attriction practical enough to have in

altruistic, practical enough to have in it a call to the willing worker. The purpose of the movement of rural life in Western Canada is such and when the individual citizen or the local group cordially adopt the purpose there will be results.

Point, clearly defined direction, fully specified objective, immediately located design. The aim will be toward results that will be apparent this year and next, in the surrounding community; next, in the surrounding community; better farming, better business, better living; better physically, better intellectually, better socially, better democratically. Local co-operation, education, community life. For June the point may be a 25 or 50 per cent. increase in membership, a 50 or 75 per cent. increase in The Guide subscribers your territory 90 per cent. efficient so far as the association is concerned.

Push. It must begin with a pusher,

Push. It must begin with a pusher, one who cannot be satisfied with stagnation or quiescence, one who must move himself and others. Have you a mover in your community! If nothere's your opportunity. No jammed thoroughfare. Full chance for movement, in ative, advance. Push first these who are likely to develop into thoroughfare. Full chance for move-ment, in a tive, advance. Push first those who are likely to develop into pushers. Have your design and direc-tion clear and then go to it. Push hard. Its "up to you."

#### Hands Linked

There is still much more talk than there is action in the direction of cooperation. How many local schools have sought somebody beside the official teacher to come in and teach them something specific on which that par-ticular somebody was an authority? ticular somebody was an authority? Why shouldn't trustees say once a month to the children, "We are going to treat you to a lesson on the municipality taught by the Reeve," or "Will you come out on Thursday evening for a lesson on bees from the owner of the apiary over on the hill?" Why is not the school made more fully a community institution which offers something beyond a stereotyped course?

beyond a stereotyped course?

How many local churches have ever linked hands with any other organization in order to give effect to ideals or principle held in common? How often has the church seen another institution striving for some good cause and said with all her heart, "We are with you and behind you in that work. We will

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do our utmost collectively and person ally to guarantee your success?" It has been done occasionally but how often has it been left undone.

And the local Grain Growers' Association. How many meetings does it hold in a year jointly with other organizations that are democratic and progressive! How many consultations do its directors hold in a year with the directors of the public library, the agricultural associations, the local young men's club—in order that they may work together for some of the principles on which they are agreed? So long as the association stands for drawing the community together it must stand for seeking that well-principled and progressive bodies shall unite their powers, co-relate their enterprizes and work out so far as may be, together, their plans for social and general wellbeing. It is only by such effort man-fully undertaken and patiently and per-sistently carried out that our western settlements can be drawn together to constitute what we know by the name community.

#### Hints for Canvassers

1. Believe enthusiastically in your roposition. This is absolutely essenproposition. T

2. Be absolutely honest with the people you approach. Make no claims which are not fully substantiated
3. If you meet objections or criticisms which you cannot answer drop a line recording them to the Control

line regarding them to the Central office.

4. Aim primarily to win interest and sympathy and secondarily membership

and co-operation.

5. Keep the ideal high. We are not a dollar grabbing institution. We exist for the betterment of community life and defence of the interests of the people on the land.

Be able to answer the question "What do I get out of it for the dollar or two dollars I pay in." One gets out of it the opportunity to co-operate with a great living organization in serving the community, the cause of rural life generally, and the Canadian democracy at large.

7. Emphasize the value to the individual and to the family of being an integral part of the most active and progressive organization in the country. Information and Emphasis

1. Make it clear that there was urgent need for the organization when it was inaugurated. Railway, grain deal-ers and implement men had the farmers absolutely at their mercy.

2. That need has been in some measure met. Farmers can now, under reasonable conditions, secure a loading platform and each can at least get his turn with others in ordering cars for grain shipment.

3. It has not been wholly met. Since the war began manufacturers have added 71 per cent. to the tariff and railways 15 per cent. to freight and passenger rates.

#### Our Returned Men

Hundreds of our farm women have been doing splendid work for our boys overseas. Now they realize there is another phase of work to do. They are ready asan organized body, the Women's Section of the Manitoba Grain Growers' Association, to assist our returned men. Don't you Growers' Association, to assist our returned men. Don't you want to share in this good work? If you want to know what the Women's Section is, what it stands for, what it is doing, and what its aims are, write to Miss Amy J. Roe, provincial secretary of the Women Grain Growers, 290 Vaughan Street, Winnipeg.

4. The predatory interests are still in the saddle. They are on the backs of the common people. They remain there just because our organization is partial and incomplete. If we were 100 per cent strong we would unseat them in three weeks. We invite membership to secure that end.

5. Be able to recommend the National Platform of the Canadian Council of Agriculture, and urge that with another 100,000 organized votes behind it, it will be much nearer the field of prac-

tical politics.
6. There has been real progress in establishing the power to weigh issues and to think independently on economic and political matters. Our present position in regard to liquor legislation, in regard to woman suffrage, in regard to direct legislation and in regard to farm loans and short term farm credits is largely due to the educational work done by the association.

Have a clear view of the objects of the association as stated on page 71 of the Year Book, of the associa-tion pledge taken at the Thursday evening session of the 1918 Convention (page 63) and of our special provincial objective as stated on page II,

#### Whom to Invite.

Always keep in mind that the move-ment aims to include the whole rural population.

Make especial effort to enlist the young. Inspire them with the ideals of service and co-operation and optimism and progress. If there is special capacity for service, intelligence training, literary, musical or platform ability in any quarter, win that for the cause.

Do not pass by anyone who is or who should be interested in the service of man which is also the service of God.

#### The Women's Section

Commend the special objects which the women have in view in developing women's work in the association,

To extend the influence of the association by special effort to enlist in sympathetic co-operation with it the women and girls of our rural communi-

To increase the association's power for community betterment by discussion of and activity in lines which appear to be most directly related to the life of women.

The maintenance and defence of the home as an institution and the earichment of rural life socially and intellec-

Education of girls and women for the responsibilities of community life and of democratic citizenship.

The improvement of rural schools and the securing of more intimate relation-ship between the school and the rest of the community.

The safe-guarding of the fundamental rights of women and children by more adequate legislation.

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O our Organizers, Local Secretaries, and Interested Friends.

Ladies and Gentlemen: We are very desirous of getting new locals organized in all parts of Saskatchewan, and we would very much appreciate your furnishing the names of leading farmers in any community where there is at present no local organ-We will correspond with those whose names are furnished, and will refer to our organizers the information which we receive. When you send in names and addresses of people we will very much appreciate your giving the number of the section on which they reside, together with the township and also tall the nationality range, and also tell the nationality which prevails in the community. Manual tell the result of the community with the community of the commun ishing this information. We are pre-pared to furnish our literature in Eng-lish, German, and French, but have not so far issued printed matter in other languages.

It is generally recognized that our association is able to accomplish valuable work in the cause of democracy, educating its members along certain important lines, and helping to unify the opinions and efforts of our citizens. We think, therfore, that you will be rendering a valuable service to the province is well as to our association, when you assist us with this organization work. Not only do we wish to double our membership during this year, but we desire to get locals of our association formed in every important community centre in the province.

Any information or help to this end will be very much appreciated. Very truly yours, The Saskatchewan Grain Growers' Association Ltd.—H. H. Mc-Kinney, superintendent of organization.

P.S.—We would like to have you become a life member of the S.G.A.

To All Local Secretaries

Dear Sirs. It has been decided to Dear Sirs. It has been decided to observe Grain Growers' Sunday on June 16. The arrangements for the day are entirely in the hands of the local secretaries. It is for your local to decide how you will have the day observed in your community. At the Central office we will be glad to be of Central office we will be glad to be or any assistance possible in helping you to work out your plans for the day. Last year the locals arranged with the regular ministers of the different churches to give addresses, or with cer-tain special speakers who were secured for the occasion. A considerable num-ber of our directors and prominent leaders spoke on Grain Growers' Sunleaders spoke on Grain Growers' Sunday last year.

It is hoped that the occasion this

year will have the influence of bringing the churches and the association into closer relationship. There is certainly a great need for united action in improving social and moral conditions in the various communities of our province. Now, as never before, all of the organizations which seek to improve the conditions of our like should co-operate and harmonize their activities in order

to secure the most efficient service. We will be glad to have you advise us of your plans, stating whether or not you will have a service conducted especially for the members of your own local, or whether you will unite with some other local for this occasion.

The Central office recommends that a special collection be taken on Grain Growers' Sunday for the benefit of social service work in this province. We are enclosing herewith some printed matter outlining the work which is being done by the Social Service Council. We have been giving a great deal to many other patriotic causes, and much more must be given. At the same time, we should not neglect to give for the important work which is needed here at home, not only to help us carry on the war in better fashion, but to improve the conditions, both now and after the war. We cannot afford to neglect the questions of health and morals which confront us in our own province, nor can we postpone action in these matters until after the war. Let us continue to give to the Red Cross,

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## J. B. Musselman

Rogina, Sask.

the Military Y.M.C.A., and other patriotic efforts, all of which are most worthy and most urgent, but let us not neglect to support the work of education and moral reform which demand special attention and heroic efforts duration.

special attention and heroic efforts during these trying times.

We will be able to supply a limited
number of speakers and will be glad
to have you advise us if you have not
been able to arrange for a speaker
otherwise. We will send out printed
matter to any minister or speaker who
will apply to us for information about
our association work—Very truly our association work. Very truly yours, H. H. McKinney, superintendent of organization.

Salaried District Organizers

A letter was recently received by Mr. C. M. W. Emery, director of District No. 2, from Mr. Geo. W. Atkinson, in which the latter outlined a scheme for the employment of salaried district organizers, the cost to be met by voluntary contributions from locals. The suggestions of Mr. Atkinson are well worth earnest consideration, and we have pleasure giving his letter here-

I have just received a letter from Mr. Devlin, which emphasizes the impor-tance of the salaried district organizer.

Let the matter be presented somewhat fully to the locals at the summer meetings and otherwise. The suggestion is that each local wishing to participate (it is hoped that that will mean all locals) shall tax itself \$10.00 per annum (or \$15.00 if \$10.00 is too little) to pay for the services of a district organizer to work under the general supervision of the district director. Such organizer to visit every contribut-ing local at least once a year, and as often besides as possible and advisable. Through these visits and through correspondence he should keep in touch with the activities and needs of each local, and should inspire and assist in the taking on of new activities especially of a social and educational nature, as rapidly as the expanding ideas of the members will permit.

At the same time he should labor to secure the formation of new locals wherever possible, and foster in them an interest that will produce the con-tinuous activity that alone can make a permanent working local. As soon as the contribution of locals grow to a sufficient amount the organizer should devote his whole time to the work: far from his activities taking the place of any volunteer work, they would operate to mobilize and effectively direct

all present workers, and also enlist many who at present are not helping. I think that you will agree with me that very much of the director's organthat very much of the director's organization and development work goes for nothing, because he is not able to follow it up. The salaried organizer would be able to stop this dissipation of energy, this back-sliding, this checking, and stopping, and reversing of progress once become

begun.

Of course this is asking a great deal of the organizer. He must in the first place be a true missionary. Other qualiplace be a true missionary. Other quanties are important, but this is essential. While difficult, I do not think it impossible to find a suitable man. I have two in mind that I am inclined to think would do. Perhaps you could name one or more. In any case, since the success of the plan would depend very largely and the spaces of the first are largely on the success of the first an pointee, the election should be made with care

I would appreciate a free discussion of this scheme. If desirable and feasible, it ought to be put through. If otherwise it ought to be set aside for something else. The present temper of the people calls for progress. Where it start!-Yours fraternally, Geo. W. Atkinson.

We have much pleasure in acknow-

ledging receipt of the following contri-butions from several of our locals which ar greatly appreciated, viz.:— Thistle Local, Emergency Fund \$12.50 Thistle Local, Agricultural Relief Ladstock Local, V.M.C.A. Mili-tary Fund

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#### Lockerbie Man's View

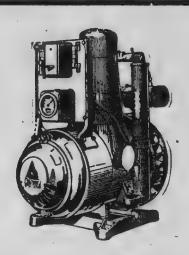
Mr. Percy Arkle, of Lockerbie, does not believe in any time limit in rounding up the farmers; at least he is going to keep at it 'as long as 1918 is a year' and no harm will be done if he keeps on through 1919, unless he has exhausted the field in the meantime. exhausted the field in the meantime. Mr. Arkle's idea of a map with the name of every farmer in the district inscribed on it is a thoroughly good one, and will make it impossible for any one to be overlooked. There is many a potentially good citizen outside our association, and the point is to find out why they are outside. You must diagnose the disease before you can hope to cure it, and this is Mr. Arkle's method. He will make a good doctor, and should effect many a cure. He writes as follows: writes as follows:-

Have received your circulars re membership drive and am pleased to report that so far as we are concerned we are doing all we can to increase our membership and make the association what it ought to be. We have held rallies, one in particular at Horizon, when four locals were represented. We had some locals were represented. We had somewhere around 175 persons present, and several new members were secured for the various locals. It is a good thing to strike whilst the iron is hot, but to me it is better to keep the iron hot all the time. With that end in view I am going to ignore any time limit set by the association to secure new members. going to ignore any time limit set by the association to secure new members, and keep at it as long as 1918 is a year. I have one idea which has been discussed by our local and will be put into operation. I purpose for each local to have a map of its immediate neighborhood, with each settler's name on (A municipality map is good). Mark off every name that is on the membershipship list, and then go personally shipship list, and then go personally after the rest, visiting each one at their own house, finding out the reason, if any, why they are not members of our association, tabulating those reasons, and if unsurmountable as far as that individual in concernation of the reasons. individual is concerned, turn such a one into the hands of the Central officers. By this method we shall secure much valuable information, helpful to all of us. I can give you three names now of farmers north and east of here in the Adell school district who are absolutely prejudiced with no satisfactory reason, and yet we must have them, and once we get them they will become good citizens. Pardon this long epistle. I address a meeting here on the 15th, and one at Pretty Valley on the 20th, and am hoping for more to address on connection.—Sincerely yours, Percy Arkle. operation. Sincerely yours, Percy Arkle Writing at a later date, Mr. Arkle

Our oyster supper last night wm blessed with fine weather and a big crowd. I do not know what results we obtained; but some new members were received. Mr. Devlin gave us a talk on the association's work, which was well applauded. Musical items were ren-dered, and then I finished up, making an appeal for members. We are alive alright. I will send you a report on the Pretty Valley's meeting next Wednes-day when I get back. I believe largely in the educative work, and would like nothing better than to be kept going all over the province. I have had nine years or more experience in addressing audiences on each side of the line, and so am heart and soul in the movement. Please send me another Life Member ship button. I am sending an order for stationery for myself next week. Yours truly, Percy Arkle.

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Peas and oats, or oats alone, can be sown for silage purposes as soon as the crop intended for threshing has been seeded, and the crop will be ready for putting into the silo when the oats are in the late milk or early dough stage, before the crop intended for threshing is ready for the binder. The green bundles are at once run-through the cutting box and cut as fine as possible, going into the silo absolutely green. There should be at least three active men in a silo 12 feet in diameter, men who will keep on the move continually in order to insure that the silage be thoroughly tramped, particularly at the edges, as the centre will, in a measure, take case of itself since the pressure from above, as the silo is filled, increases. The amount of oxygen remaining in the silage will depend on the amount of tramping, and the amount of oxygen will be the determining factor in the keeping qualities of the silage. After the silo has been first filled it will settle and may be filled again in the course of five or six days. In this way another 10 to 15 tons may be accommodated and a silo so filled, 30 feet high and 12 feet in diameter, will hold 80 to 90 tons, according to the amount of moisture in the crop at the time it is cut.

#### Freezing Not Serious

Some bulky fodder, such as hay or out straw, is usually fed in conjunction with silage, as well as the usual grain ration. When so fed, cows on full of milk will consume around 40 pounds per day. Even though the silage freezes around the edges of the silo it will come out in flakes, and the freezing does not appear to affect injuriously its feeding value.

ing value.

Experiments, which have included the whole dairy herd at the Lacombe Experimental Station, have been carried on during the past two years to determine the relative feeding value of this silage as compared with the same feed cured in the ordinary way in the shock as green feed. Both years the results have been very decided in favor of ensiling the crop, showing a saving in the cost of producing one pound of butter of as much as four cents per pound and as much as seven cents per pound with silage made from peas and oats as compared with silage made from corn. In making the determination of the cost of butter, ensilage has been valued at \$3.00 per ton, and cured green feed at \$10.00 per ton.

at \$10.00 per ton.

When these values have been used as a basis, striking economies have been effected by the use of silage made from peas and oats. The feed cost of a pound of butter was 16.7 cents when peas and oats silage was fed, and 20.84

cents when the same feed, cured as green feed, was used. In each case this is the average of the results of four trials in which the whole herd was used, and it shows a saving of 4.14 cents per pound in the cost of a pound of butter, directly due to the method followed in curing the fodder, a saving of 20 per cent.

## Gestation or Pregnancy

Gestation, or pregnancy, is the period during which the female carries its young, extending from the time of impregnation until birth. The average period of pregnancy in mares is eleven months. In cows nine and a quarter months. In ewes five months. In sows four months. The signs by which pregnancy is manifested are not always definite or discernible until pregnancy is well advanced. The earliest sign and guide is the non-recurrence after breeding of the usual periods of heat, so that the animal no longer comes in season and manifests no sexual desire for the male. It has also been observed in many cases that a change becomes noticeable in the disposition of an animal when it becomes pregnant. As a rule mares become less irritable and more sluggish after they conceive and gain in fiesh. Cows, in particular, show a tendency to gain flesh during the first six months of pregnancy. This tendency is taken advantage of by cattle feeders in that they usually prefer to breed cows which they wish to fatten for beef.

One of the noticeable signs is that as the period of gestation progresses, the belly steadily enlarges and becomes distended, particularly at the lower part, while the flanks become more hollow, and the hips on each side of the croup appear sunken. The udder also becomes more developed and appears more prominent and firm as pregnancy advances. Towards the last few weeks of pregnancy the udder becomes filled with a yellow sticky liquid known as the colostrum, and which later changes into proper milk. In many mares a small amount of waxy material forming on the ends of the tents indicates the near approach of foaling time. In cows, after the sixth month, and in mares, after the seventh month, the foetus becomes capable of movement in the womb, and its presence may be noticeable and its movements discernible, particularly after the mother has taken a drink of cold water.

The presence of the foetus may also be detected by feeling the abdomen with the hand. To do so a person takes a suitable position on the right side of a cow, and on the left side of a mare, with the back turned towards the animal's head. The right or left hand, as the case may require, is then placed against the belly of the animal, just be-low the flank and about nine inches in front of the stifle. By pressing on the belly at this point, a hard mass or body of the foetus may be felt, and its presence detected distinctly if it moves. After the third month in the mare and cow pregnancy can be sometimes determined by introducing the hand into the rectum and vagina and feeling the womb. In the pregnant animal the neck of the womb becomes closed with a plug of mucus, known as the vaginal seal, and the womb is found to contain a hard mass, and, at a later stage, the body of the foctus can be distinguished. It has also been shown that soon after an animal becomes pregnant, its blood undergoes some change, which can be determined by a special laboratory blood test, known as the "Aberhalden" test for pregnancy.

# Draft Horse Production

By Wayne Dinsmore

More land must be put in small grain, and less left in grass, during the next few years. The world's food requirements, in this emergency, can only be met by increasing the acreage of grains immediately available as food for man. More power will be required on the farm to plant and harvest these crops. Labor is scarce. Increased horse power and implements which will permit one man to do as much as two or three formerly did is the only solution of the problem.

Factories are running at top speed. Transportation is being taxed to the utmost. Powerful teams are an essertial factor in transportation. They link factory with railroad and one factory with another. They haul the material needed for new structures and aid in building the same. Throughout the whole network of transportation from producer to manufacturer to consumer heavy draft teams play a most impor-tant part. Truck and transport com-panies, guided solely by the balance sheet, declare draft horses are more efficient in short hauls than motors. Evidence that they will hold their place in the cities is overwhelming; but they must be massive, of maximum draft character, and of such structure in feet and legs as to last for a decade and a half in city service.

Farm and city alike will require large numbers of powerful drafters. The de-mand for the next five or six years will be greater than at any time in the last 20 years.

Armies require horses. Experience has shown they are indispensible. In the Allied armies the proportion has been approximately one horse to every four men, exclusive of cavalry. British Lord of the Admiralty, speaking before parliament in De-cember, 1917, reported that British fleets had transported more than 2,000,- who lack in teams will pay so much for them this season that they will conclude it is cheaper to raise work horses than to buy them.

#### Breeding Work Takes Time

Failure to sow a large acreage of wheat in the spring means a limited yield in the autumn. Failure to breed mares makes a short horse crop, but the effects are not noticeable within six months, as in the case of wheat. The shortage in horses does not become manifest till five years later. In 1916 and 1917 less than 40 per cent, of the mares of breeding age excluding pure-bred draft mares were bred. Well-informed horsemen estimate that yearling colts have decreased in number from 1.732,000—the number shown by the 1910 census—to approximately 1.000,000 for the spring of 1918. This decrease will be felt most acutely in 1920 and 1921. Every effort should be made by well-informed horsemen to guard against this by urging the farm ers in their respective sections to breed all suitable mares in 1918.

The greatest obstacle to improvement is the small horse and the unsound horse of any size. Such animals are not marketable. They are not efficient in work. They are present in the United States in millions. Every real horseman would be delighted to see the country rid of these undesirable equines. They are a drug on the market. Prices range from \$20 to \$125 on such animals. Their complete elimination would be a God-send to the industry. Breeders of drafters are not particular regarding the mode of exit taken by small and unsound horses.

. The man who owns and works horses under 1,100 pounds is standing in the way of his own financial betterment. way of his own financial betterment:

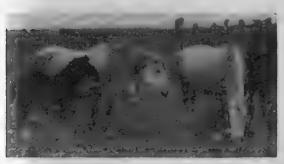
If he cannot dispose of them and buy
mares that are at least in excess of
1,200 pounds, his only chance is to
breed some better ones. Doing this from a foundation of
small mares is slow. The
process may be hastened by
breeding to a very prepo-

breeding to a very prepo-tent, heavy-boned stallion that is 16-2 to 17 hands in height, with weight in excess of 1,900 pounds when in breeding condition. The half bloods from such a horse will, if well nourished during the growing period, mature the growing period, mature at weights of 1,400 or better. Small mares have produced progeny from such crosses that closely approximated real draft size and character.

More rapid progress, however, financially and otherwise, will be made by selling very small horses at any price they will bring, and then buving good grade, or pure-bred, draft The Horse and the Tractor

Some farmers are fearful of the actor. What effect will it have on the need for heavy horses on our farms? Will it eliminate or materially reduce the number of horses in farm use? Developments to date indicate that tractors may supplement, but not displace, heavy draft horses. In fall plowing, when horses are needed in the harvest field, the tractor can be used to advantage; and where there is enough need for belt power to make the tractor pay interest and depreciathe tractor pay interest and depreciation charges for the balance of the year it may be well to buy one. The fact remains, however, that the horse is a self-repairing, self-reproducing motive power, and the tractor is not. The horse utilizes roughage, such as corn, fodder, straw and pasturage, produced on the farm, as a considerable share of his fuel, and all fuel for the tractor must be bought. Aside from this, naval and military needs promise to drive internal combustion oils to to drive internal combustion oils to prices ranging from 90 cents to \$1.25 per gallon, with most stringent regulations regarding its use. Horses can be produced where needed. Tractors require much steel, coal and labor in their production, and tax our transportation systems heavily, both in the shipment of raw material and the finished engines, supplies therefor, and finished engines, supplies therefor, and

repair parts. There are thousands of men who can



Percheron Mares and Fouls at Pasture

000 horses and mules to Europe for the use of the Allied armies. Figures from the Department of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, U.S.A., show that more than 1,300,000 of these were purchased in the United States. The demand from our Allies continues. To this is added the needs of the United States armed forces, in the proportion of one horse or mule to each four men, exclusive of cavalry. The horses most sought for by all armies are artillery, siege gun and transport kinds. These take horses weighing from 1,150 to 1,700 pounds, sometimes more. The British, in the fall of 1917, undertook to buy 100,000 transport horses—which must weigh 000 horses and mules to Europe for the transport horses—which must weigh over 1,500 pounds after arriving at central markets—and were frankly told by one of the leading dealers that they could not possibly be bought at the price \$220. They have, however, been purchasing as many of these as pos-

In 1914, at the outbreak of the war, the United States had a vast surplus of horses ranging from 1,000 to 1,500 pounds. That surplus is now nearly exhausted. Horse buyers who formerly had no trouble in buying two carloads per week, now come in with half a car, because they cannot buy more in a week's time. Farmers sold themselves short last summer and fall because of the high price of feed. They are now searching for teams with which to do their spring work in 1918. As a result, prices have advanced appreciably in the last 30 days. Grade draft mares of good type, and sound, are \$50 per head higher than they were in December, and are increasing in value. More had no trouble in buying two carloads ber, and are increasing in value: Men

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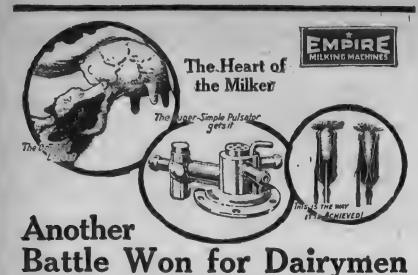
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use tractors to advantage on farms, but the majority have not been able to, and the comment of a widely travelled and shrewd observer I believe holds true: "that the tractor will not pay generally until the farmer can raise his own repairs, gas, and oil." Bankers with long experience in the North-west are unanimously of the opinion that the man who farms with big draft horses, especially mares, is a good risk, while the tractor farmer is not: and these men come as near to knowing the financial side of the situation as anyone. The exceptional farmer can use tractors advantageously to supplement horse power, but the vast mæjority cannot.

#### Foreign Demand Will Take Many

In conclusion, we can only say from facts now available that the breeding of small horses, under 1,200 pounds, should be entirely stopped, save for such special types as race horses and saddle horses. Mares between 1,200 and 1,500 pounds should be bred to the best available draft stallions, with a view to increasing the size of their descendants to 1,600 pounds and over as soon as practicable, and all mares over 1.500 pounds should be bred to selected draft stallions to make sure that the resulting progeny is as perfect as possible and to reduce the proportion of heavy horses which, because of faulty conformation or unsoundness, are not as efficient in work as their size and weight warrants. Subsidies given to especially perfect draft stallions which have demonstrated themselves to be good stock sires will hasten the improvement of our draft horses greatly, and there is every reason in favor of such a policy. Funds already accruing from stallion licenses should by all means be used, and additional appropriations might well be made for this purpose.

purpose.

Aside from our own farm and city needs, foreign countries will unquestionably be heavy buyers of draft horses in American markets after the war. Foreign governments are already seeking to obtain an increased number of horses over 1,500 pounds for transport work, with the idea that those which are left can be used on farms at the close of hostilities, and they are especially desirous of obtaining all the heavy mares they can secure. These are significant items to practical horse-

No hesitancy should be felt respecting the future of the draft horse industry. Every effort should be made to increase the breeding of all mares over 1,200 pounds to good draft sires, and special attention should be given to encouraging those farmers who, through lack of knowledge of all factors, are discouraged respecting the breeding of heavy draft horses. The man who persists in breeding good ones will reap a rich harvest. The quitter-will pay a good price for work animals in the future, and regret that he failed to grasp the opportunity that lay within his reach.—Wayne Dinsmore, Secretary, Percheron Society of America.

## Saskatchewan Shorthorn Club

Shorthorn breeders in Saskatchewan should get in touch with H. Follett, Swaythling Farm, Duval, Sask., for information on the plans and work of this new club which should mean much to Shorthorn breeders in that province. The annual fee is \$2.00, a very small one indeed for the comparative benefit members should and will receive if a proper measure of co-operation is given the sliph

proper measure of co-operation is given the club.

At the first meeting, Dean Rutherford, University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, was made honorary president; R. H. Carvell, Saskatoon, president; and H. Follett, Duval, secretary. The remaining list of members up to April 22, was as follows: C. B. Latta, Govan; Car. Johnsyon, Govan; R. M. Douglas, Tantallon; F. A. Evans, Abernethy; Wm. Taylor, Keelen; W. Arnold Staples, Oxbow; R. Gibson, Indian Head; J. E. Mann, Waldron; H. J. Jameson, Lemberg; S. O. Robinson, Regina; W. G. Wilkinson, Tuxford; Wm. Mathieson, Tuxford; F. E. Watson, Oxbow; Geo. Logan, Tuxford; E. F. Richardson, Semans; W. J. Jaskson, Tuxford; Elias



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## To Improve Calgary Bull Sale

As a result of the experience gained at this and previous sales and the discussion and suggestions made at the annual meeting, the following recom-mendations to the directors were made by E. L. Richardson, secretary and managing director of the Alberta Cattle Breeders' Association, under whose auspices the sale is annually

1. Bulls under one year should not be accepted for sale. The sale is too be accepted for sale. The sale is too large to permit wasting the time of the buyers while these calves are being sold. They want serviceable bulls. These calves would generally give better results if in the hands of the breeders for another year.

2. Bulls not bred in Alberta should be required to be in the province one year before being sold. Encouragement should be given Alberta breeders to purchase the best sires to be found anywhere, but there is no need of having same resold until they have been in the province one year, since Alberta cattle breeders are producing such a large number of bulls.

large number of bulls.
3. Have the judging done the first forenoon and start the sale at noon the same day. This would save about a day in the time the breeders, as well as the purchasers, would have to be

right that the Association should permit bulls of the type and condition of those culled back to be sold at auction, and in that way have the approval of the Association. All breeders have been, in the past, and will be in the future, advised to leave such bulls at home. It is not practical to have all bulls examined before being shipped, but if a few breeders will persist in sending in some inferior bulls, through lack of feed or care or poor breeding stock, the animals culled back should at once be removed to a stable by themat once he removed to a stable by them-selves and sold privately by the owners if they wish, but not put through the sale ring.

5. Print the full pedigree in the cat-

6. The suggestion made at the annual meeting as to selling prize winners first is a splendid one, and I think it could be worked out to advantage in this way.-Number all animals as at present so each seller's lot will be stabled together and so animals may be located easily when being shipped. (By the gether and so animals may be located easily when being shipped. (By the way, did you ever sort out and load 800 bulls from 519 buyers and ship them to 124 stations. It is some job). Sell all bulls between 12 and 18 months. of age first, in order of age, with the exception of the prize winners, in the class of that age, the prize winners to be sold in order starting with the first prize. Repeat the same system in selling bulls between 18 and 24 months, then between 24 and 36 months, etc., with the exception of the champion and reserve champion of the breed, which should be sold first. Put the animals in the catalogue in the order in which they are to be sold, except, of course, the prize winners, which would be brought in first as explained. It often happens that a number of buyers are after the same champion, whose order of sale is near the last. Under that system, the other bidders have not then an opportunity to be competitors for the second prize animal, to their disappointment and the seller's loss.

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The perfect foot is not often seen. It is wide at the heel and of medium depth. The depth at the heel should be about one-half the length down the toe when the foot is in normal shape. The coronet should be round on the front feet and as nearly that shape as possible behind. A big, round foot indicates that the sensitive tissues covered by the heaf well are healthy. The contracted that the sensitive tissues covered by the hoof wall are healthy. The contracted foot, narrow at the heel, always means just the opposite. A full frog is a great asset to a big horse. It is the cushion which takes off the jars. Horses with extremely low heels are likely to go prematurely lame because of a lack of frog. The inner part of the foot is not well enough protected from the wear and tear to which a draft horse foot is subjected to remain free from soreness long. However, there is less trouness long. However, there is less trou-ble with a thin-heeled horse going lame than a high-heeled one. Boxy feet, high than a high-heeled one. Boxy feet, high at the heels, are sure to result in lameness sooner or later. They cause a horse to stand up on his pasterns too much and they always contract and sometimes pretty quickly. High heels and poor frogs always go together, for with such a shaped foot the weight of the horse comes on the hoof wall instead of on the frog. A frog is much like muscle on the frog. A frog is much like muscle tissue in that it never develops well without constant use. If one wants to grow a good frog, he has to take off the heel and let the frog down to the ground. Then the foot will widen out and grow a good, springy frog. The slope of the hoof in front should be about 45 degrees, the same as the set of the pastern. If kept at more than that the pastern. If kept at more than that angle, a horse cannot set down properly on his pastern. To give a horse a good elastic step his pasterns must set at such an angle that they will move up and down freely. There must not be a stilted step which comes with short, stubby pasterns and upright hoof walls.

How to Avoid Foot Troubles

The majority of all foot troubles are due to negligence. Few horses have bad feet from inheritance. Thirty minutes a week will keep the average farm horse's feet in perfect order. What farmer is there who does anything to his horses, feet unless they become as

his horses' feet unless they become so long that his horse can't walk easily,



A Too That Is Too Long

or unless they break off badly and cause lameness. Many good pure breds are permanently ruined by letting their feet grow without attention. The foot is like a sponge, very porous and sensitive to water. It will not stay in perfect order without moisture. Keep a horse in a stall and his feet will dry up and contract. Never put oil on the feet, as that prevents water from entering the hoof wall. Pack damp clay in the bottom of the foot to hold moisture, If I can get it, I prefer white rock clay. This can be secured at most drug stores. Get the horse in the mud occasionally, so as to soften up his feet. Where it is impossible to get a stallion out into a

paddock, he should be walked out of doors and especially when the ground is wet. Riding a stallion through meadows or pastures when heavy dew is on is

or pastures when heavy dew is on is excellent for the hoofs.

Always keep the foot as nearly level as possible. This rule applies to horses of all ages, and particularly to the young, growing colt. Sidebones are frequently caused by allowing one side of the hoof to wear off short. Then the weight is shifted to the short side, which almost invariably sets up inflammation, causing a sidebone sooner or later. Use a rasp and pinchers to trim a horse's feet, but not a chisel. One a horse's feet, but not a chisel. One cannot use the latter and be certain that he is trimming the foot level.

#### Growing a Hoof Prior to Shoeing

Use the rasp sparingly on the hoof walls of a show horse, for if one wears away the glossy appearance, the hoof



A Bar Shoe

texture soon becomes dry and brittle and the feet go to pieces. There is no danger, however, from rasping the feet of the ordinary farm horse, if it is done only when he is shod, for usually he is not shod more than twice a year. Better keep very light plates on the show horse all the time to protect the hoof wall and allow it to grow. I always take a very light plate shoe and hammer it out until it is extremely thin at the heel. Then when one gets ready to shoe for show, he has a foot to work on. Too many people think that if they get a good horse shoer a few days before starting out to the fairs that he can fix up the feet. That oftentimes proves a sad mistake. In many cases it takes months of careful work to get feet in proper shape, and sometimes a year. Nobedy can shoe a draft horse perfectly unless there is plenty of toe, and if not, it takes time to grow it. A heel that is too high cannot be cut down as it should be all at once. The work must be gradual or else soreness will result. It usually takes two or three trimmings to correct a high heel. If the quarter is only when he is shod, for usually he is be gradual or else soreness will result. It usually takes two or three trimmings to correct a high heel. If the quarter is lacking, keep the toe short, and that will throw more wear on the toe, less on the heel, and consequently the quarters will have a better chance to grow. Of course, if a foot is naturally well-shaped and properly set, it doesn't take much of an effort to keep it that way. Always allow the frog to grow as long as it will. A great many people think that a horse isn't neatly shod unless the frog, bar and sole are pared away closely. No worse mistake was ever made, and any worse mistake was ever made, and any horse shoer who will do that to please his customer is doing nothing sort of cruelty to animals. Never under any circumstances cut away the bar or sole unless it is diseased. Then it is necessary in order to treat the affected tissue with medicine and cure it. Nature has with medicine and cure it. Nature has provided the frog, bur and sole to pro-tect the inner and very tender parts of the foot. The Colt's Feet

The colt should have his feet carefully watched, always keeping them trimmed level. There is very little that can be done to readjust the set of and pasterns on a mature horse,

but the young colt is easily susceptible to such changes. The set of feet and pasterns can be thrown one way or the other if it is done while the bones and joints are still young and flexible. If the colt stands too close behind or in front, keep the inside toe of the hoof a



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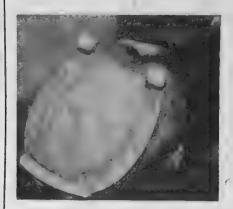
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bit shorter than the outside, and have the inside quarter a trifle higher. To throw the feet closer together, lengthen the inside of the toe and keep the out-side quarter slightly higher than the inside. The mature horse that toes out badly in front, nigger heel fashion, is hard to help with shoes, for his legs do not set straight under him. The growing



Shoe With Leather Sole

colt can be helped considerably by proper shoeing because his joints are still capable of being twisted slightly. Beware of the stallion with this fault, for there is no characteristic which draft horses transmit to their offspring with as much certainty as nigger heels.—By George MacLeod, Genesco, Ill., in the Percheron Review.

## Raising Dairy Calves

Assuming that we have a normal, fully developed ealf, weighing from 70 to 85 pounds at birth, which is about the right weight, all things considered, we leave the calf with its mother from two to three days, or till the milk of the dam is marketable. We like to take the calf away from its dam in the after-noon, and then the calf is ready for noon, and then the calf is ready for something to eat when the dam is milked next morning. All milk fed should be 90 degrees Fahrenheit. The calf is then fed three times daily, its mother's milk, about four pounds to a feed, which we weigh. We weigh all milk fed to very young calves, and believe it pays to do so. This we can do nicely as we milk our new milch cows three times daily at the start, even though they are not continued so cows three times daily at the start, even though they are not continued so very long. When the calf has become adjusted to conditions, and is thrifty, two or three weeks of age, we begin by substituting in the morning and evening meal, one pound of new warm skim milk, but as we separate only twice daily, the noon feed is still whole milk. When the morning and evening milk. When the morning and evening meal becomes about half and half whole milk and skim milk, the noon feed is curtailed, and warm water added to give bulk, until the noon feed is water alone. As the noon feed is reduced in milk, it is added to the morning and evening feeds. From this time on, the quantity given depends on the indi-

The calf is usually four or five weeks old by the time this gradual change from whole to skim milk has been taking place. This idea of the noon-watering is continued regularly, and the temperature regulated according to size of calf and season of the year. I believe that many a calf really suffers

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from not having water to drink. Their tastes vary in this respect, some seldom drinking only a few swallows, while others will surprise you in the quantities they will drink. I refer especially just at this point to calves who have no access to a drinking-trough, but are hand-fed in their own pens. The length of time that a calf is given skim milk depends wholly upon the available supply. We have fed it once a day to heifers nearly two years of age. I believe it is really worth more for poultry and pigs than for 2-year-old heifers, but they certainly do well on it, even then.

#### Teach It to Eat Grain

We teach the young calf to eat grain, We teach the young calf to eat grain, a mixture of bran, ground oats, hominy, and a small quantity of oil meal, as early as possible. This is easily done after feeding milk, and it takes away the notion of sucking. The quantity varies according to age, but two pounds a day will help out wonderfully in their growth. Don't forget to put some salt in the grain ration, or grain-box, for in the grain ration, or grain-box, for they require it same as any other animal. It stimulates their appetite, and aids digestion.

It is our custom, and commend it to all breeders, to weigh their calves regularly (monthly). We are not satisfied unless a calf has made a daily average gain of two pounds. They will not do this often the first month, but it puts you wise to the actual growth of the calf, and informs you whether your course of feeding is adequate or not. We had one bull calf, about six months of age, which made a gain of 105 pounds in one month. It is needless to say that this calf was especially thrifty, and made good use of a generous amount of skim milk, of which we had a plenty at that particular time.

Don't keep over two calves in any It is our custom, and commend it to all

Don't keep over two calves in any one pen, one is better, unless they have an exercising paddock for them to run in and out of at will.

Exercise is necessary to growth, but be careful not to allow a calf to get too tired, when first turned loose after being shut up for a long period, as they are during the winter months. This might give them a set-back temporarily unnecessarily. Set-backs are uncertain

The constitution and vitality of the parents are matters which precede the birth of the calf, but which the breeder should not lose sight of. A cow weakened from too heavy and too continuous milking, not given an opportunity to recuperate from the strain, or any other cause, will be apt to drop an improverished weaking which will tax impoverished, weakling, which will tax the ability of the most successful calf raiser to get started nicely and prove a worthy successor to either parent.
W. L. P.

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# S.R. Parsons and his \$100

OLLOWING is a copy of the letter written by S. R. Parsons, president of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, in reply to The Guide's editorial of April 10, asking him to make good his offer of \$100, regarding certain alleged statements made by G. M. Murray, secretary of the C.M.A., in a speech delivered in Winnipeg, in February, 1910:—

Editor, Farmers' Advocate: Not be Editor, Farmers' Advocate: Not being a subscriber to your paper I did not know until a day or two ago, when someone sent me a copy of The Grain Growers' Guide of April 10, that you had published my letter in reply to Mr. Lennox in your issue of March 28, last. I notice that The Grain Growers' Guide now calls upon me to put up \$100 in view of a published report in a Winnipeg newspaper covering the statement peg newspaper covering the statement made by Mr. Lennox as to what the secretary of the C.M.A. said at the time mentioned.

Now, let me say that I shall not try to get around or hedge in this matter in any way, shape or form. Unless, however, Mr. Lennox's statement represented a boasted threat of the C.M.A. it, of course, had no point or meaning at all. This anyone will readily agree to. Proof would, therefore, have to be furnished that this supposed quotation from Mr. Murray's address represented fairly and honestly his statement in this connection. A simple newspaper

report of what was supposed to have been said at any time would not be accepted in any court of law as evi-dence, and when it is clear that only part of a statement was made use of in order to create a certain impression, when the entire statement as given would be quite different, you will see that it is altogether ridiculous and far-fetched to use a portion of an address fetched to use a portion of an address strained out of its real meaning in a possible attempt to bolster up ill feel-ings and hatred. It reminds one of the preacher who took a great dislike to the way in which ladies were wearing their hair tied up into a knot on the top of their heads. He wanted some authority for preaching against this fashion and so out of the verse, "Let him that is upon the housetop not come down," he took for his text, "Top not come down," and so tried to make it appear that the scripture was against the prevailing fashion.

Upon asking Mr. Murray for information upon the matter in question he writes me as follows:-

"I have your letter of the 22nd inst., asking for my explanation of certain remarks attributed to me in the issue of the Winnipeg Evening Free Press of February 3, 1910, and reprinted in the issue of The Grain Growers' Guide for April 10, 1918

for April 10, 1918.
"I remember the occasion very well, because of the annoyance which I felt

at the time on account of the manner in which my remarks had been dis-

"I was addressing the meeting on the general policies and achievements of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, and in this connection I was emphasizing how great a factor leadership was in directing the energies of ship was in directing the energies of an organization. According, as those energies were directed wisely, under the leadership of men who were broad-minded and tolerant, an organization could not only advance its own inter-ests, but in so doing could advance the interests of the country at large. On the other hand, in the hands of leaders who were neither wise nor tolerant, the powers and energies of an organiz-ation might easily be misdirected with ation might easily be misdirected with incalculable injury to the country.

"I cited the fact that it seemed to

suit the purpose of some people, for political purposes or otherwise, to represent the Canadian Manufacturers' Association as an octopus, which by under-hand, though very effective methods, was imposing its will upon the country to the detriment of the people generally. It was then that I stated that were the Manufacturers' Association as thoroughly organized as some people gave it credit for, were it responsive to the leadership of unscrupulous men actuated by selfish motives, it could if it chose, by ordering the closing down of the factories of all its members, bring millions of people to the verge of the verge of all and paralyze the industrial bring millions of people to the verge or starvation and paralyze the industries of the whole Dominion. So far from that being the case, however, I was careful to state that both the Manu-facturers' Association and Canada as a whole were to be congratulated upon the fact that the association was always fortunate in being able to command in its leaders the services of men of loyalty, integrity and tolerance, under whose capable direction the as sociation was as truly working in the national interest as any other organization in the country.

"The manner in which my remarks were reported simply furnishes another illustration of how wrong may be the impression which is created by extracting a sentence or two from its context or by reporting half truths instead of whole truths."

It is quite unnecessary for me to add anything further.—S. R. Parsons.

# The Mail Bag

THAT FAVORABLE BALANCE

Editor, Guide: In your issue of the 17th in your article on exchange you point out that the excess of exports

of Canada over the imports will amount this year to about \$600,000,000, and you state further that "Cnaada is \$1,000,000,000 to the good in her trade account with Britain."

Is it not a fact that we have had to export munitions, clothing, food, etc., to support the war? These have been used up on the field of battle, and from these we can receive no exchange of goods in return. Is it not altogether likely that the immense excess of exports is a dead loss to this country? Is it not true that every ship from Canada sunk by the submarines showed an excess of exports over imports, a an excess of exports over imports, a dead loss? When the Titanic went to her grave at the bottom of the Atlantic, her grave at the bottom of the Atlantic, did not that show an excess of exports from Britain for which they received nothing in return? When the French, after the war with Germany in 1871, had to pay an indemnity of \$1,000,000,000, did not that show an excess of exports? When we had a flood of immigrants into this country, each family bringing imports without exports, did not that show an excess of imports, and who would think of calling that an unfavorable balance? When the Dutch were invaded by Louis the XIV, and they made preparation to sail away to the East Indies, would their returns have shown an immense excess of ex-

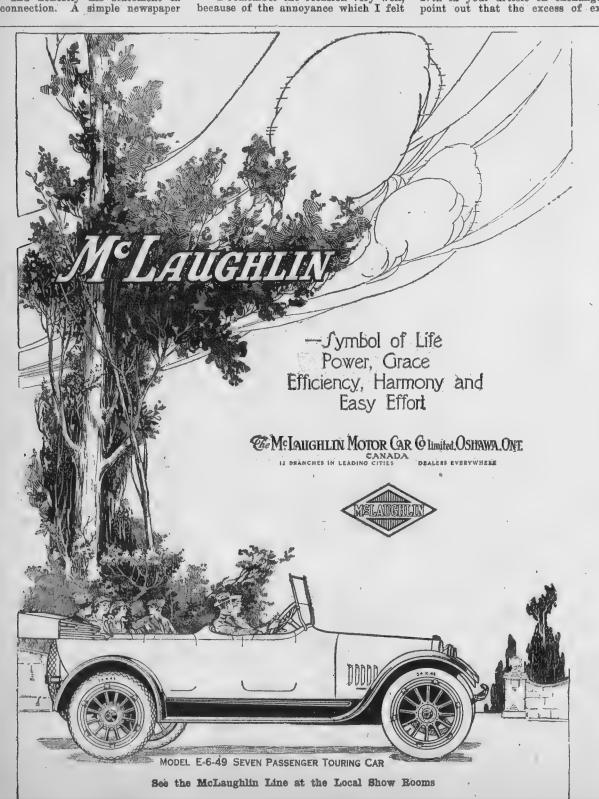
have shown an immense excess of exports?—W. A. Douglass, Toronto.

ASKS FOR RAILWAY
Following is a letter addressed to Sir Robert Borden and the members of the Dominion government from T. L. Triplett, of Treelon, Sask:—
Gentlemen: Late developments in the food situation makes it seem necessary that Southern Saskatchewan should have a railroad this year. With this help the farmers in this southern district could market their grain at the trict could market their grain at the proper time this fall and get busy again on their land. We have as good a small grain country as there is in the West. It is about 200 miles long east and west, and about 24 miles wide, containing over 3,000,000 acres of fer-

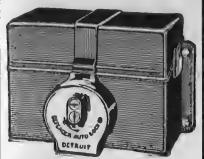
tile land. "Produce more food," is the cry that is going out all over the country. And if we intend to win this awful war we have got to produce more food. The great problem is before our government and us farmers. It seems reasonable to believe that it can best and most economically be accomplished by building railroads into the newly-settled districts. If this can be done these districts can be farmed to their full capacity, markets rarmed to their full capacity, markets having been made more convenient. The older-settled districts have been producing up to their limit so that it will depend upon the newer country to increase the general production. The products of our country could, with a railroad market near, be increased from 20,000,000 up to 25,000,000 hysbels in 20,000,000 up to 25,000,000 bushels in a very short time. Every farmer would do his best to help win this war by in-

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district that this new railroad would accommodate, making them prosperous and happy. And the 20,000,000 bushels of increased production would supply 3,000,000 soldiers with bread for one year. This is worth our government's consideration.

consideration.

The food situation is critical. We farmers are patriotic and willing to do what we can to increase production, but are the farmers the only ones who should be patriotic in this direction? We think that the government should be more considerate towards the farmers and lend them a little of the direct help which is now going to the big corporations and manufacturers who have made their first millions off the farmers. They should insist that the banks and implement companies extend all and implement companies extend all the credit possible to the farmers. This would help increase the production.

If our government does not consider this district worthy of a railroad this year it has made one of the biggest mistakes of this war's history. The farmers and their families have here undergone untold hardships in their traighting of symplics out from towns freighting of supplies out from towns over 40 and 60 miles away and hauling in their crops to market. They endured these hardships of work and weather firm in the belief that they would get a railroad before long. But they have they disagraphinted again and again. If been disappointed again and again. If this railroad does not materialize this summer many of our farmers will leave summer many of our farmers will leave this country and seek employment else-where. We all here believe in honest patriotism and there is not a farmer in this district who would not say, "Give us a railroad and we will in-crease our production four-fold." Let the members of our government ask themselves if they would be willing to exchange palces with us. They would doubtless say that they would not with-out a railroad. I wish to compliment our government for taking off the duty on cattle and tractors and hope that on cattle and tractors and hope that they continue their work in this line by removing it from farm machinery, im-plements and horses.—T. L. Triplett.

#### LABOR'S VIEWPOINT

Editor, Guide: In a recent issue you were repeating again your desire to look at things other than from a farmers' viewpoint (April 10th). I have been farming until this year, but owing to hail one year, and being dried right out last, I was unable to get seed for my land this year without pauperising myself, and I have been compelled to hire out.

self, and I have been compelled to hire out.

Now, the farmer has had his wages (i.e. wheat, etc.) increased nearly 200 per cent., and yet he will only pay a 50 per cent. increase in his wages. This refers to the Weyburn district. I have been a subscriber to your paper for five or six years so I take the liberty of raising this query: "Is there a shortage of labor?" There is only one answer. Everything has advanced beyond this most essential thing, labor; and if you are as fair as you claim to be, this matter should claim a small part of your interest.—H. Wheeler, Neptune, Bask.

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# Why We Should Bathe Internally

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By R. W. Beal

Much has been said and volumes have been written describing at length the many kinds of baths civ-ilized man has indulged in from time ilized man has indulged in from time to time. Every possible resource of the human mind has been brought into play to fashion new methods of bathing, but strange as in may seem, the most important as well as the most beneficial of all baths, the "Internal Bath," has been given little thought. The reason for this is probably due to the fact that few people seem to realize the tremendous part that internal bathing plays in the accordance. that internal bathing plays in the ac-quiring and maintaining of health.

If you were to ask a dozen people to define an internal bath, you would have as many different definitions, and the probability is that not one of them would be correct. To avoid any misconception as to what constitutes an internal bath, let it be said that a hot water enema is no more an internal bath than a bill of fare is a dinner.

If it were possible and agreeable to take the great mass of thinking people to witness an average post-mortem, the sights they would see and the things they would learn would prove of such lasting benefit, and impress them so profoundly, that further argument in favor of internal bathing would be unnecessary to convince them. Unfortunately, however, it is not possible to do this, profitable as such an experience would doubtless prove to be. There is, then, only one other way to get this information into their hands, and that is by acquainting them with such knowledge as will enable them to appreciate the value of this long-sought-for health-producing necessity.

Few people realize what a very little

Few people realize what a very little thing is necessary sometimes to improve their physical condition. Also they have almost no conception of how little carelessness, indifference or neglect can be the fundamental cause of the most virulent disease. For instance, that universal disorder from which almost all humanity is suffering known as "constipation." "auto-intoxication," "auto-infection," and a multitude of other terms, is not only curable, but preventable, through the consistent practice of internal bathing.

How many people realize that normal functioning of the bowels and a clean intestinal tract make it impossible to become sick? "Man of to-day is only fifty per cent. efficient." Reduced to simple English this means that most men are trying to do a man's portion of work on half a man's power. This applies equally to women.

That it is impossible to continue to do this indefinitely must be apparent to all. Nature never intended the delicate human organism to be operated on a hundred per cent. overload, A machine could not stand this and not break down, and the body certainly cannot do more than a machine. There is entirely too much unnecessary and avoidable sickness in the world.

How many people can you name, including yourself, who are physically vigorous, healthy and strong? The number is appallingly small.

It is not a complex matter to keep in condition, but it takes a little time, and in these strenuous days people have time to do everything else neces-sary for the attainment of happiness,

but the most essential thing of all, that of giving their bodies their proper

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If you would keep your blood pure, our heart normal, your eyes clear, your complexion clean, your eyes clear, your complexion clean, your head keen, your blood pressure normal, your nerves relaxed, and be able to enjoy the vigor of youth in your declining years, practise internal bathing, and hegin today. begin today.

Now that your attention has been called to the importance of internal bathing, it may be that a number of questions will suggest themselves to your mind. You will probably want to know WHAT an Internal Bath is. WHY people should take them and the WAY to take them. These and countless other questions are all answered in a booklet entitled "The WHAT. THE WHY and THE WAY OF INTERNAL BATHING," written by Doctor Chas A Tyrrell, the inventor of the "J B.L. Cascade," whose lifelong study and research along this line make him the pre-emment authority on this subject. Not only has internal bathing saved and prolonged Dr. Tyrrell's own life, but the lives of multitudes of individuals have been equally spared and prolonged. No other book has ever been written containing such a vast amount of practical information to the business man, the worker and the housewife. All that is necessary to secure this book is to write to Dr. Tyrrell at Room 382, 163 College Street, Toronto, and mention having read this article in The Grain Growers' Guide, and same will be immediately mailed to you free of all cost or obligation. Now that your attention has been

Perhaps you realize now, more than ever, the truth of these statements and if the reading of this article will result in a proper appreciation on your part of the value of internal bathing, it will have served its purposes. What you will want to do now is to avail yourself of the opportunity for learning more about the subject, and your writing for this book will give you that information. Do not put off doing this, but send for the book now, while the matter is fresh in your mind.

"Procrastination is the thief of time." A thief is one who steals something. Don't allow procrastination to cheat you out of your opportunity to get this valuable information, which is free for the asking. If you would be natural, be healthy. It is unnatural to be sick. Why be unnatural, when it is such a simple thing to be well?—Advertisement.

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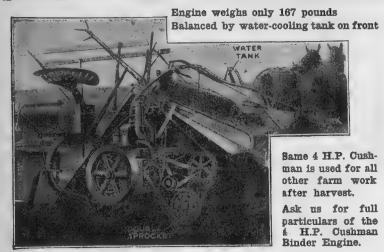
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# Putting in the Flax Crop

Proper Soil Conditions --- What Land to Seed ---When to Seed it---Combatting Flax Wilt

LAX requires a hard, firm seed bed and a continuous supply of moisture coming up throughout the entire season. It is almost impossible to get the soil too firm. For the moisture supply it is not only necessary to have a good store of moisture in the soil to begin with, but a good mulch must also be established on the surface to conserve this moisture for the growing crop. Flax is a poor weed fighter. On old land, intended for flax, spring plowing if done at all should be shallow and done early in the season so that there will be an opportunity to destroy weed growth.

In a new bulletin entitled "Flax Growing in Manitoba," issued by the Manitoba Agricultural College, the following directions are given for the preparation of new land which it is intended to sow to flax the following LAX requires a hard, firm seed

intended to sow to flax the following

year:'It is to be expected that considerable flax will be put on new land where the land has been broken the previous year and suitably worked down. Such land will provide the ideal conditions for the sowing of flax. The best results will be obtained on land broken in May or June, rolled or packed immedi-ately and worked with the disc during ately and worked with the disc during the summer to secure a good seed bed the following spring. In a wet season it may be possible to break the soil quite late, the land being handled as on spring breaking. The land should be plowed four or five inches deep. If the plowing is too deep, it is difficult to get the furrows firmly packed down against the furrow bottom, with the result that air spaces are left, which tend to let the moisture escape. Four inches will be found in most cases deep enough to allow the sod to be laid smoothly upon the furrow bottom, and at the same time to give enough soil for a good seed bed."

### Flax on Spring Breaking

Though not to be recommended, considerable flax is always sown on new breaking. Best results are obtained when the plowing is done three to four inches deep early in the season—the earlier the better, the sod in every case to be turned down flat. Subsequent cultivation should in no case stir the sod, but should rather work it down flatter, leaving a mulch on top It is impossible to have the overturned sod packed too firmly down on the sub soil. A heavy packer, or plank drag well loaded should in every case follow the plow. This packs the overturned sod and excludes the open air spaces. Harrowing after the packer or drag may be sufficient but where there is danger of stirring the sod the disc harrow is better, though care must be exercised not to cut through the sod, the object being to secure a mulch on the surface. If the soil is dry a crop cannot be expected from spring breaking unless in an exceptionally favorable season. Professor Bolley of North Dakota has the following suggestions to make for determining whether to grow flax on spring breaking or to summer work the land for a crop the following year. These directions were intended particularly for those located in semi arid

areas:-"There are certain regions and certain types of soil in which sufficient. moisture cannot be maintained to produce a crop if seeded immediately following the spring breaking. Such lands naturally fall under the dry lands method of agriculture and summer tillage for storage and conservation of the moisture which falls is indicated. It has been proven by many dry land farmers in the drier regions of Montana and the drier regions of Northwest Dakota and Western Canada that spring plowing of the sod lands, followed by careful summer tillage throughout the first season usually results in a crop of flax seed which pays abundantly for all the work done. There is only one draw-back and that is, if such summer worked land chances to be surrounded

by a weedy district, it is apt to become thoroughly filled with weed seeds by the drifting action of the winds. It may thus be necessary to guard against the weeds. If in a good, compact clay sub-soil or clay-like sub-soil, the mois-ture does not extend downward from two to two and one-half feet, is stoo much of a gamble with nature to seed a crop on that particular piece of soil that spring. In certain exceptional summer seasons there may come heavy rains sufficient to continue the crop on to maturity. This is against probabil-ity. If the ground is not already pretty well supplied with moisture at seeding time, the crop is pretty certain to reach a condition when a few hot winds destroy the possibility of a paying yield. Late spring and summer rains, even though very heavy are found to wet down but a short distance and in a few hours of sunshine and wind the moisture is again thrown into the air. The is further damaged under such conditions by the tendency to cause it to produce its roots upon the surface so that when the hot winds dry out the surface the crop must blight, sicken and

#### Time and Rate of Seeding

In North Dakota it has been found that the best results in flax growing are that the best results in max growing are obtained from comparatively early or comparatively late sowing. Flax sown previous to the middle of May or from May 24 to the first week in June, has on the whole, given better results. The reason for this is given that the flax sown in the mid season comes in flower and the hells are being formed during and the bolls are being formed during the hottest and driest season of the year. Early sowing is preferable to late sowing as the danger of being caught by the fall frost is lessened. Spring frost will not injure the plants

unless it is very severe:
In "Flax Growing in Manitoba" the bulleting previously mentioned, the following remarks are made regarding the time and rate of seeding:— "While good crops of flax have been

frequently secured from relatively late seeding, it can be shown that the best crops have resulted from fairly early seeding. From the tests that have been made it would appear that flax may be made it would appear that flax may be sown almost any time during the month of May with good prospects of success. Occasionally earlier seeding has been successful, while at other times seedlings as late as the middle of May have been killed by frost. Light frosts do not injure flax seedlings; only a frost sufficient to freeze the ground solid is likely to do harm. Sowing can be carried out earlier on light soils. Heavy land that is cold and wet in spring requires longis cold and wet in spring requires longer to dry to the proper conditions. Where the seeding is continued into June, there is considerable danger of early fall frosts. Even though the late sown crop is not damaged by fall frost, it is almost a certainty that the yield will be lower than would have obtained from earlier seeding. The best time to seed would appear to be from about May 10 to June 1.

"The amount of seed sown per acre

is rather varied. In some instances good crops have been obtained from 20 pounds of seed, while at other times as much as 50 to 60 pounds have been found necessary.

"In the tests made on the experimental farms results point to the use of from 20 to 40 pounds of seed as being the best amount to sow. The amount of moisture and the fertility of the soil largely determine the amount of seed necessary per acre. Rich land in good tilth with a liberal supply of moisture requires a greater quantity of seed, while poorer soils with a smaller amount of available moisture usually give best results with lighter seeding. It has been a common practice in the West to sow 30 pounds of seed per acre. Where the seed is not good, a greater amount is necessary.

"Flax does not require to be sown deeper than one inch, provided there

is sufficient moisture for germination at this depth and the soil has been properly firmed previous to seeding. Where soil conditions are not so favorable, seeding as deep as two inches may be advisable.

Regulating the Drill With flax at the present high prices it is advisable to make sure that it is it is advisable to make sure that it is being sown at the proper rate. Drills, even of the same make, vary in the rate at which they seed. The size of the seed of the particular sample of grain determines how many pounds will be put on per acre. A rule for testing a grain drill is as follows: There are 48-560 square feet in an acre. Divide this 560 square feet in an acre. Divide this 560 square feet in an acre. Divide this number by the number representing the width of drill in feet. Divide the number thus obtained by the number of feet represented in the circumference of the wheel. This will give the number of revolutions which the wheels will make when drilling one acre of ground. Jack up the wheels and turn enough times to represent the distance which would be travelled in sowing one-quarter of an acre. Collect the seed, which has been run out on a sheet, and weigh it. The drill may be readjusted until it will show the amount of seed desired.

Varieties of Flax

Variety tests over a period of three years at the Manitoba Agricultural College show that Premost or Minnesota No. 25, as it is sometimes called, gave the best results. The comparative yields of common varieties are shown in the following table:-

the same time draw heavily upon the supplies of plant food that are being liberated in the surface area of soil. When a crop is grown on spring breaking, it should, in most cases, be fallowed the following year. This rule applies equally well for the cereals as for flax. It will, however, be understood that where the rain-fall during the following summer is fairly heavy these ill results would not be so marked. "When flax has been grown in rotation with other crops, no ill effects have been apparent, and we believe that the afore-mentioned conditions are largely responsible for the idea that the crop is very exhaustive." the same time draw heavily upon the

Growing Fodder Corn

Growing corn for feeding purposes for this western country is a coming for this western country is a coming necessity, and I often notice articles in the agricultural press, as well as in the local newspapers in agricultural columns. I also have inspected corn plots that our neighbors have planted in an experimental way, for it is the first corn they have ever tried to raise, and I find they all seem to resert to the same plan. they have ever tried to raise, and I and they all seem to resort to the same plan of planting, it being the easiest and most rapid process known to date; that of using the grain seed drill. Very few grain drills have a capacity to give you seed enough for a good stand of stalks for feeding purposes. It is the same for earing purposes. It should be the last system to use in planting for earing purposes.

ing purposes.

I have had 50 years! experience in the corn field in Ontario, when Ontario

Variety Tests of Flax-Manitoba Agricultural College

	Yield	l in Bushels and	Lbs.	
Variety Name	1915	1916	1917	Average
Z: 1997 7 200	Bus. Lbs.	Rug. Lbs.	Bus. Lbs.	3 Years
Premost or Minnesota No. 25	15-42	. 13-42	18-42	16-04
N.D.R. No. 52	. 17-14	10-20	16-05	14-32
N.D.R. No. 114	. 16-06	10-20	14-41	13-41
Novelty	. 14-32	7-48	14-16	12-13
Long Stem		. 6-44	17-50	10-00
Golden	. 3.00	5-20		
N.D.R. No. 73		THE PROPERTY OF	18-17	Walley

It will be noted by the table that N.D.R. No. 52 and N.D.R. No. 114, two wilt resistance varieties originated by Professor Bolley, of North Dakota, yielded almost as much as Premost.

Flax wilt is a fungus disease which

attacks the root of the plant, causing the plant to shrivel up and die. The disease may be carried over by the seed or in the soil. When the soil becomes badly infected it is impossible to secure a crop. Scaly, wilted seeds are an indication of infection. The usual formalin treatment as used for wheat and oats will disinfect the seed provided it is first thoroughly cleaned. The treat-ment should be thorough, and be given at as short a time as possible before sowing.

## Is Flax Hard on Land?

The general impression that flax is hard on land appears to be without foundation. The following table showing the loss of fertility from ordinary crops of wheat, oats and flax, shows that the one essential plant food element upon which the flax plant makes a heavy draft as compared with wheat and oats is nitrogen:

#### Acre Yields and Fertility Loss

Yield Nitrogen Phosphoric Potash Crop Bus. Lbs. Acid, Lbs. Lbs. Wheat 20 35 20 35 Wheat 20 

The treatment of the soil and not the loss of fertility is given by Professor Harrison, of the Manitoba Agricultural College, as the cause for the generally observed lower yields of other crops

observed lower yields
after flax. He says:

'Flax, for the most part, has been sown on new land, quite frequently, in breaking. Over the not fact, on spring breaking. Over the major part of the West there is not enough moisture properly to decompose the sod and mature a crop of grain of any kind in the same season Hence, one or both must suffer. It has been found that sod on land cropped in this way will take several years to get into a proper condition unless it is fallowed the following season. Knowing the shallow rooted habit of the flax plant, it is easy to understand how it would use up any moisture that falls and at

was just as crude as this west is today. When the people began to make their minds up to get into the dairy business, the herds increased and feed problems had to be solved. As any Ontario native knows, severe droughts occasionally visited that country in earlier days, visited that country in earlier days, when farming was not up to present-day science. This made it quite necessary to grow and depend on some crop other than hay and straw. Corn was introduced. Like the residents at present in this country that have not come from a dairying community, with some corn experience, farmers planted their corn as they planted their wheat. The results were unsatisfactory.

While this is not a recognized corn

While this is not a recognized corn belt and our nights are too cold for the growth and maturing of earing corn, particularly of the coarse feeding varie-ties, we have got to turn our attention to growing all the stalks we can, and forego the loss of ears to some extent, unless we happen to have a very favorable corn season, as we occasionally have here. In the absence of silos it is quite necessary to grow a finer stalk of less woody substance. With thin planting we will get a heavy, woody, stubby stalk which will set for ears, which will seldom mature to be of any value. On the other hand, by using value. On the other hand, by using plenty of seed, a thick growth is made; the stalks will run up high, will be less woody, will dry out when cut much more quickly than coarse stalks which will hold moisture and freeze hard when the cold weather comes and become useless unless put into a silo when harvested.

#### Proper Planting Methods

Take 10 acres of land you have laid out for summer fallow. Plow it, say eight inches deep; harrow it well, open up a furrow as you would for potatoes, three feet apart, get the boys or girls or the hired man, or better still, yourself, to follow up the plow, dropping the corn in the furrow. You can do this about as fast as the team will walk. By taking a handful of corn and working your fingers a little you will distribute the corn hit and miss in the bottom of the furrow, as our plows have wide bottoms. You may have a clear space of 10 to 12 inches after the dirt rolls back. After the plow passes on you will see in drop-



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ping the corn that you will have from 5 to 12 kernels of corn to the square foot spread all over this space where you would have one or two grains in a foot space sown with a grain drill and these left too near the surface of the ground. You should use your own judgment when dropping the seed. The germination qualities of your seed should guide you in the quantity used. This is the only system to get a good thick stand.

When you have dropped the seed take your harrow and run it on your rows the direction it is plowed. Do this only once if your soil is loose and fine. This should cover it deep enough, but not so deep as to hinder germination. After the corn starts up so you can see it well or the foul seeds begin to show up, put your harrow on your corn again, going the same direction as before. You will not hurt the corn a bit, as you will not hurt the corn a bit, as you will hardly pull a plant and as your harrow will ride to a certain extent on the remaining ridges, levelling them down and cultivating the young corn at the same time. In a week or so put the harrows crosswise of the corn and continue to harrow until your stalks get large enough to be brittle and break rather than give at the root. You will in this process punish the young weed crop in its infancy, and do your young corn a good favor. Then in the future use your scuffler to your own satisfaction.

process punish the young weed crop in its infancy, and do your young corn a good favor. Then in the future use your scuffler to your own satisfaction. By this method you have your corn well in the ground and roots are all well below the surface. You keep adding soil to the plant as it grows higher and it will keep throwing its roots higher to brace the stalk in its older stage. You will notice that corn planted with a seed drill generally falls in all directions when coming to maturity. It was set on the surface to start with and large heavy stalks with little protection have to fall and this makes the harvest handling very inconvenient.

#### When and How to Harvest

The time to harvest corn is after it appears to have its full growth, begins to get dry near the ground, and when a gold-colored dust begins to fall from it. If one intends to go into the stock business and grow much corn, I would advise them to purchase a corn binder, as they are built for handling corn in all its forms. The saving in labor, convenience in handling, the risk of expensive breakage to grain binders will go far on the purchase of a corn binder machine.

I built one of the first silos in Ontario when ensilage was yet in the experimental stage, and silos as well. It is now not necessary for the inexperienced to spend some years making mistakes. If they will follow a few facts and common-sense advice, which experience will lead them finally to, they will save much time by cutting across the corner. I would certainly advise anyone raising much corn fodder to build a silo at first, in this climate particularly. Our seasons are sometimes short for the corn crop and should an early frost hit the corn it is as well to cut it, as the leaves will dry up and lose what substance there is in them, and a certain amount of the stalk may also be damaged. It might be well to immediately cut the corn, thus retaining the juices of the plant in the stalk. Remember, if you want good sweet ensilage, do not put the stalks when fresh and green into the silo. If so, your ensilage will have too much acid and a tendency to keep the bowels of stock using it in too loose a condition for health, unless a great quantity of dry food is added to the ensilage when fed. A good, sweet ensilage could be fed without other food to good advantage should circumstances point that way, but a feed night and morning of ensilage and a feed of hay or straw at noon is a better plan to follow. As to building a silo, many in Ontario are using cement to good advantage, but wooden ones are probably as good and are prepared to a proper shape. The staves are similar to well curbing, which is usually kept by all lumber merchants. The foundation should be solid and built of cement. Build about 12 or 14 feet at the base and as high as you wish. A silo will hold an immense tonnage of the best of food for any kind of stock.—Bruce E Johnson, Sask.

# Caring for Your Seed Plot

equal conditions when grown under normal conditions. At maturity it shows a blue or purple band of color on the straw just below the head, and another band near the ground. When it is in this stage it is ready to cut and should yield a fine sample of grain. When sown on rich land it is probable that it will not take on this color of straw, owing to the prolonged growth. At the owing to the prolonged growth. At the same time it may be ready to cut, The same remarks apply to Kitchener and Red Bobs. These two wheats are alike in this respect.

In the season of 1917, Kitchener grown on summerfallow was, on my own farm, cut while the straw was still green and was a fine sample, yielding 50 bushels per acre, and on a portion of the field that had special treatment it yielded 63 bushels per acre of fine grain. The straw was quite green and nearly



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five feet tall, whereas where grown on Brome sod land the straw was fully ripened off and the grain not so good a sample owing to being forced by the

dry hot weather.

Where Kitchener is being grown for the first time this season it would be well to take note of the foregoing and make no mistake in allowing the crop to stand too long waiting for the straw to ripen if the season is backward or if the crop is grown on rich land. In the drier parts of the west this wheat should make a good showing owing to its heavy growth and length of straw, and smooth well-filled berry.

To determine when Kitchener is ready to cut examine the berry and note if the smooth part shows a whitigh

note if the smooth part shows a whitish or amber color, tinging the berry. If no moisture is found when squeezed, and it is in the firm dough stage and the season for harvesting is getting late, cut it. Hardening of the berry will be carried on in the stool when cut while the straw is still green.
Red Bobs and Kitchener are very

similar in respect to strength of straw and well-filled heads. May they both make a good showing this season.

## SASKATCHEWAN FARM SURVEY

To hear plans and enter into a general discussion of a comphrensive survey of conditions surrounding production of farm products of all kinds in Saskatchewan, as well as the eradica-tion of noxious weeds in the province, were the chief objects of a conference held at the parliament buildings here today between a number of field representatives of the provincial department of agriculture and Hon. W. R. Motherwell, minister of agriculture, and F. Hedley Auld, deputy minister.

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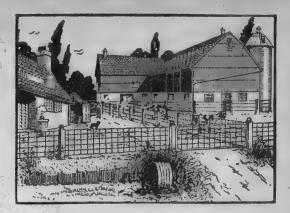
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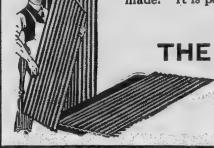
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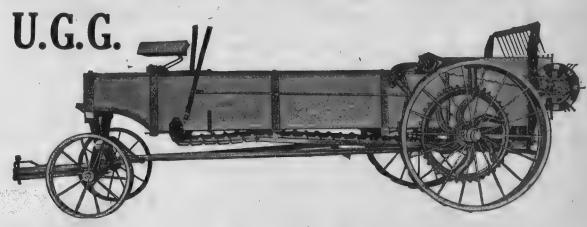
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# Business and Finance

HAT was probably the most im-portant and interesting budget ever presented to a Canadian parliament, was brought down in the House of Commons last week by Hon. A. K. MacLean, acting minister

of finance. It involved sweeping and drastic changes in our methods and volume of taxation, due to the extreme-ly acute financial situation which now exists in relation to Canada and Great

The net debt of Canada, which before the war amounted to some \$336,000,000, has now passed the \$1,000,000,000 mark. And it is mounting very rapidly. Before the war, interest charges on the national debt amounted to some \$12,000,000 per annum. In the fiscal year ended March 31, that amount had increased to \$45,000,000. During the coming fiscal year, Mr. MacLean estimated our total expenditures at \$980,000,000. Of this amount, \$425,000,000 will be used for war expenses; \$230,000,000 for civil expenses at home; and \$325,000,000 for advances to the Imperial Government for financing, in part, Canada's export trade with Great Britain. Our exports to Great Britain in the last fiscal year amounted to \$680,000,000.

In order to meet tis national requirement of \$980,000,000, there will be raised \$270,000,000 in revenue from taxation, which is \$12,000,000 more than was raised last year; advances by Great Britain amounting to \$300,000,000, to pay for the maintenance of Canadian troops overseas; unexpended balance of the Victory Loan, amounting to \$130,000,000. This makes a total of \$700,000,000, leaving a balance of \$280,000,000, which will have to be provided some time this year by loans from Canada or elsewhere.

While practically no changes were made in the customs tariff, the following measures of taxation, affecting incomes and luxuries, were announced:

Income Tax—Minimum reduced to

\$1,000 in case of unmarried persons and \$2,000 for married persons. Present surtax to be continued, with new and heavier classification for incomes over \$50,000, ranging as high as 50 per cent. for persons with an income of a \$1,000, 000. War surtax to be imposed on incomes of \$6,000 upwards ranging from 5 per cent. on lowest taxable income to 25 per cent. on everything over \$200,000. Exemption to be made allowing \$200 additional for each child under 16. This clause does not apply to incomes of

Corporation Income Tax-Increase

from 4 to 6 per cent.
Tobacco—Excise duty on manufactured tobaccos doubled; increases on cigars and cigarettes on foreign raw leaf; also, excise duty of 5 cents per pound on raw leaf grown in Canada.

Tea-Customs tax of 10 cents per pound:

Coffee-Increase in British preferen. tial tariff to 5 cents a pound and on general tariff to 7 cents. Beverages—Rate increased to 40 per

cent. ad valorem on beverages which require malt, rice or corn in manufac-ture, and not containing more than 21 per cent, of proof spirits.

Sleeping Car Berths—10 per cent. of

price paid, with minimum rate of 25 cents.

Parlor Car Seats Tax doubled, from

5 cents to 10 cents.

Matches Excise tax of 1 cent per hundred or fraction thereof.

Playing Cards-Excise tax of 8 cents

Picture Films—Customs duty of 5 cents per lineal foot.

Automobiles—Excise tax of 10 per

cent. of selling value, whether manufac-

tured in Canada or imported.

Jewelry—Excise tax of 10 per cent., whether manufactured in Canada or imported.

Phonographs, Talking Machines, Mechanical Pianos and Records—Excise duty of 10 per cent., whether manufac-

tured in Canada or imported. A scale of the actual amounts to be derived from the war income tax of 1918 as compared with 1917, is given in the following statement, on incomes

up to \$20,000:-1. Unmarried persons and widowers or widows without dependent children: Old:

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Income . And which sale .	Tax	14 Post	*Tax
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2,000	\$20	1 2 1	30
2,500 44	· 40		- 50
3,000	60		70
4,000	100	2	110
5,000	140	* \$ 45°	150
6,000	180	3- 1	190
7,000	240	4.1	300
8,000	300	19	410
9,000	360	7 1	520
10,000	420	- Indoor	630
11,000	530		1,540
12,000	640	£ 8	1,850
13,000 2,300	750	rita.	2,060
14,000	860		2,270
15,000	970	* - pv3	2,480
16,000	1,080		2,690
17,000	1,190	1. 1	2,900
18,000	1,300		3,110
19,000	1,410	.* *	3,320
20,000	1,520	1.	3,530
*Including War Surtax	i, gra		
2. All other persons:-			
	Old		New
Income Company Company	Tax		*Tax
\$1,500	Nil		Nil
2,000	Nil	10 6	Nil
2,500	Nil	100	\$10
3,000	Nil		20
4,000	\$40		60
5.000	80	**	100

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#### CANADA'S TRADE FOR THE YEAR

	Total Imports
	12 Months Ending March,
	1917
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Dutiable goods	388 622 697 420 202 224
Eros guods	945 990 009 062 591 847
Total	383,622,697 420,202,224 845,330,903 962,521,847 28,081,120 12,279,173 878,412,023 974,801,020
Coin and bullion	074 901 090
Grand Total	878,412,020 974,001,020
Duty collected	147,623,230 161,588,465
	Total Exports
	12 Months Ending March,
	1917
The mine	85,616,907 8 73,760,502
The fisheries	
The forest	24,889,258 32,602,151 55,907,209 51,899,704
Animals and their produce	127,795,468 172,743,081
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Agricultural products	477 200 678 636 602 516
Manufactures Miscellaneous Total merchandise	4 706 250
Miscellaneous	157 975 768 1 540 097 788
Total merchandise	86,087 290,281
Coin and builton	00,001
Grand total exports	
	7 S. Total Trade
	12 Months Ending March,
	1917 1918
Merchandise entered for consumption\$	845,330,903 \$ 962,521,847
Merchandise, domestic exported	1,540,027,788
Total merchandise, for consumption and	#
domestic exported	1,996,706,671 2,502,549,635
Coin and bullion, entered for consumption .	28,081,120 12,279,173
Coin and bullion exported	196,547,048 3,491,403
Coin and bullion, exported Merchandise, foreign—exported	27,835,332 46,142,004
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Grand total Canadian trade	2,249,170,171 2,564,462,215



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Income	Tax	*Tax
7,000	180	250
8,000	240	360
9,000	300	470
10,000	360	580
11,000	470	1,490
12,000	580	1,800
13,000	690	2,010
14,000	800	2,220
15,000	910	2,430
16,000	1,020	2,640
	1,130	2,850
	1,240	3,060
18,000	1,350	3,270
19,000	1,460	3,480
20,000 Was Sustan		2,200

\*Including War Surtax.

From these foregoing incomes in Class 2, of course, an exemption of \$200 will be allowed for each child under 16 years. This is a new feature, not have ing been included in the Income Tax Act of 1917.

A Question of Income

A subscriber writes, asking whether for not grain carried over from the crops of 1915 and 1916 should be included in the gross income of 1917, when filling in his income tax form, "It is really income for 1915 and 1916," he says, and continues, "If this should be counted in the gross income for 1917, here about the expenses in raising this how about the expenses in raising this

grain?"
The question raised here was really answered last week in these columns when the point was raised by one correspondent as to whether or not seed respondent as to whether or not seed wheat carried over from the previous year's crop, and not regarded as "seed bought," could be included as expenses. Now, the point is this, that the income tax form, under the heading gross income, calls for a return on "wheat sold" only during the one year ended December. So, in the case of 1917, the return would have to be made on the amount of wheat sold between January amount of wheat sold between January 1 and December 31 of that year, re-gardless of whether or not all of that sold wheat was produced in 1917. Our correspondent from Alberta points

out in a letter received this week that in that province a compromise had been arrived at in connection with the point raised in this question of carrying over wheat from one year to another. The farmers who did not sell their 1916 crop, or part of it, until 1917, will be required or part of it, until 1917, will be required to pay the tax on the increased value of the wheat only. Thus, if a farmer sold wheat in May, 1917, that would have brought \$1,000 less if sold before the end of 1916, he will pay taxes upon the \$1,000, and not upon the whole amount derived from the sale of wheat. In this way, the farmer will receive In this way, the farmer will receive credit for the labor and expenditure required to put in the 1916 crop.

required to put in the 1916 crop.

As to the question of expense, here too, only the seed wheat actually bought in 1917, has a right to appear in the income tax form. There is no item whatever to cover the points involved in the carrying over of wheat or other grains from one year to another. Unquestionably, however, a farmer ought to have the privilege of recording as an expense, the cost of his seed wheat, whether he raises that seed seed wheat, whether he raises that seed himself, or actually purchases it.

#### War and Insurance

It is estimated that the total amount of claims paid on the lives of Canadian soldiers insured in companies operating in Canada, had reached by the end of the year 1917, approximately 14,000,000. A proportion of these claims would have been incurred in the ordinary course of events, so little use can be made of this estimate in ascertaining the effect of the war on life insurance. The best figures available on this subject are those published in the annual report of the superintendent of insurance, which give the annual death rate per thousand of insured lives. figures are as follows:

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Year	Thousand	d
1914	and prior 7.7	5
1915	8.3	7
1916		5
1917		3
79/04	22	

average mortality rate per thousand of insured lives before the war increased by eight per cent. in 1915, 37 per cent. in 1916 and 46 per cent. in 1917.

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# Preparing Eggs for Storage

The Lime and Water-glass Methods

It will soon be time to preserve eggs for next fall and winter. May is the best month for this as eggs are prac-

best month for this as eggs are practically all new laid and in good condition at this time.

The underlying principle of all methods of properly preserving eggs is to control the growth of bacteria inside the egg. In selecting eggs to be preserved in water glass, choose those only that are sound and clean. Use no cracked eggs: for they are bound to cracked eggs; for they are bound to spoil and thus taint all the eggs in the same pack. Use only clean eggs; beause eggs dirtied with manure will introduce manure bacteria into the water glass. These bacteria will in time penetrate the eggs and spoil them; since the water glass is used not as a germicide but as an antiseptic. If eggs are dirty when taken from the nest, it is not advisable to wash them for the purpose of putting them down later. The reason for this is the fact that on the outer surface of a fresh laid egg there is a mucus, which, in drying, partly seals the pores of the egg through which bacteria may enter. Washing removes this protective coating of mucus and thus makes such eggs, even though clean, more liable to spoil than those not washed. It is important therefore, to keep the nests

One of the cheapest, most easily prepared and most effective means of preserving eggs is by lime water solu-

In making lime water solution it is important that good fresh lime be used. Use two pounds of fresh lime and slake Use two pounds of fresh lime and slake in a barrel or tub by adding about two gallons of water. After the lime is properly slacked sufficient water is added to make five gallons of solution, which will be sufficient liquid to preserve 30 to 40 dozen eggs. After slaking it, the solution is allowed to settle. After it has settled, it is stirred up again. This is repeated a few times, after which the clear liquid only is poured off into the crock. The best plan is to put about six or eight inches of the solution in the crock before putof the solution in the crock before putting in eggs. By doing this, there is less danger of cracking any of them. The liquid tends to lift them slightly. The eggs need not be put in in any special way. The crock should be filled with eggs up to within two inches of the top. The crock should set level and then be filled right up to the top with the liquid. Put in enough so it is just on the point of running over. After this is done melt about four ounces of paraffin, and pour it on the top. This cools and hardens and forms an air tight covering which prevents any

evaporation. By first boiling the water used in slaking the lime its preserving qualities may be slightly improved.

Waterglass has also given fairly good results, but this preservative is more expensive, and the eggs do not retain their flavor as well as those kept in lime water.

Some people put salt into the lime water, but this and several other methods tried have all given less satisfaction than the lime-water and waterglass methods.

#### The Water Glass Method

Water glass, which is technically known as sodium silicate, is the basis of the preserving fluid. It is a very heavy, syrupy liquid, nearly colorless. It may be purchased of almost any druggist. One gallon, diluted according to directions, one part to eight parts of water, is sufficient for approximately 30 dozen eggs. An earthenware crock, with a properly fitting earthenware or tin cover, is one of the best receptacles to use. Metal should not be used in with water glass. putting in the water glass or the eggs,

scald the crock thoroughly.

All eggs that are put down, except possibly those that are taken directly from nests visited daily, should be tested for freshness. The following method is simple, requiring only mater-ials at hand, and can be carried out accurately with no previous practice. At the larger end of the egg there is a small chamber containing air, and from the time the egg leaves the hen this

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air chamber slowly becomes larger, due to the evaporation of the contents of the egg. The larger the air chamber becomes the more readily the egg will float. To carry out the test, place ap proximately one quart of water, which has been boiled, in some small enamel or earthenware container. To this, with constant stirring, add enough water glass so that a fresh egg, known to be not over 5 or 6 days old, will just sink to the bottom. The amount of water glass that must be added to the water will have to be determined by experiment. Into this solution the eggs may be placed in twos and threes. that float should be discarded, and tried that hoat should be discarded, and tried out for possible household use in the near future. An egg which is 10 days or two weeks old will generally float slowly nearly to the surface of the solution. One which is fairly spoiled will bob up to the top almost like a cork. Later this same test solution, after proper additional dilution, may be used as a part of the preserving fluid.

The Preserving Solution

The preserving solution is prepared by ading one part of water glass to eight parts of water, which has been boiled for five or ten minutes just pre-viously and then cooled. Sufficient of this solution should be poured into the crock to fill it half way or a little over. As the eggs are placed in the solution, the level will be raised nearly to the top of the crock. The solution should be prepared fresh from year to

The eggs should be placed in this solution carefully, lest any be cracked, if the silicate solution affects the skin of the hands unpleasantly, a wire spoon or similar device may be used to lower the eggs into the preserving fluid. In filling the jar with eggs, care should be taken to see that all are submerged in the water glass, and remain so as the solution thickens.

It is not necessary that all the eggs be put down at once, especially where eggs are collected daily from a small number of hens which supply the reserve for winter. The solution may be made up, put in the crock, properly covered; and the eggs, taken day by day from the nest, may be added to the solution. solution.

The eggs may be removed from the solution as needed, and rinsed in cold water. In this condition, however, they cannot be boiled without exploding or cracking. This is due to the fact that the pores of the shells have been that the pores of the shells have been thoroughly sealed by the water glass. As the eggs heat, the air chamber expands, bursting the shell. This difficulty may be avoided by pricking a pin hole in the large end of the egg, thus giving the air inside a chance to escape as it expands with the boiling. All water glass on the market is alkaline to a greater or less degree. The eggs in the crock should be stored where the temperature is below 60 degrees F., if possible, and where direct sunlight will not fall, preferably in a dark place.

Keeping Qualities The water glass method of preserving eggs has been in general use for a number of years, and experience has shown that eggs so preserved are usable for cooking purposes a year, two years and even four years after being immersed in water glass. It is not advisable to expect them to keep in good condition longer than a year, however. The total cost of preserving eggs in case lots by this method should not exceed two cents a dozen.



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"Lillian," said mother severely, "thillian," said mother severely,
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pantry this morning, and now there is
only one. How does this happen?"

"I don't know," replied Lillian regretfully, "It musta been so dark I
didn't see the other piece."

A dejected man entered and said to

A dejected man entered and same to the clerk; "I want a quarter's worth of car-bolic acid."

"Sorry," said the clerk; "you got into the wrong store. We deal only in hardware, but we have a choice line of ropes, razors and revolvers."

"I don't see why mothers can't see the faults in their children," said Mrs. Smith to Mrs. Jones.

"Do you think you can?" asked

Mrs. Jones.
"Why, I would in a minute if my children had any."

The telephone rang and the new Polish maid answered it.
"Hello!" came from the receiver.
"Hello!" answered the girl, flushed

with the pride of a new language
"Who is this?" again came the

"I don't know who it is," said the girl. "I can't see you."



"Look here!" said an excited man to a druggist. "You gave me morphine for quinine this morning!" "Is that so!" replied the druggist.

"Then you owe me twenty-five cents

"Remember, my son," said the father, "that politeness costs nothing."
"Oh, I don't know," returned his

hopeful.

''Did you ever try putting Very respectfully yours' at the end of a telegram?''

"Are you laughing at me?" demand-

ed the professor sternly of his class.
"Oh, no, sir," came the reply in chorus;

"Then," asked the professor even more grimly, "what else is there in the room to laught at?"

A conscientious young Sunday-school teacher had been telling her class of little boys about the crowns of glory and the rewards in heaven for good people.

'And now, tell me,' she said, 'who will get the biggest crown.'

There was a moment of deep silence

and then a little voice piped out:
"Him what's got th' biggest head."



"You don't dissipate, do you?" asked the physician sternly of the little, worried-looking man who was shout to take an examination for life insurance. You're not a fast liver or anything of that sort, are you?"

The little man hesitated a moment, looked a bit frightened and then piped out: "Well, I sometimes chew a little

"How do you get rid of your stale bread?" asked one woman of another. "I simply hide it from my children," said the second ho sewife.

"What happens then?"
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# The Winning of the Liberty Bond

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in a stage-whisper: "No ringing stunt, ch?"

We won another 2:30 trot, just like Buck puts away porter-house steak, and then hit the trail ever to Toledo for the Big Show, arriving a week before the Grand Circuit caravan reached the Grand Circuit earavan reached the banks of the Maumee, and utilized the interim to hand Wish a repeat around 2.03½ to 2.05, which seemed to make not one atom of difference to his appetite. Then the Big Ring talent began to arrive, with many of whom I was friendly. Bill Longfellow, one of the top notch jocks, was among the first to come over and visit me. Said he, "Let me peep at that anti-fat stake horse of yours," so I had Wish led out. Bill looked plainly surprised and remarked, looked plainly surprised and remarked, less jocularly, "Why, he don't look so bad. In fact, he don't look to me like he was afraid of the oats. Didn't you tell me he never swallows an oat or a grain of corn from the time you ship away until you get him back in his own stall at home again! And then Bill tucked me under his long arm as we strolled away from my barn, be-coming very confidential, when we got

out of hearing of the others.

"You are too good a feller, Blazer, to be fooling away your time on a horse like that. Why, he just makes a sucker out of you, every time you bring him away from home. This is the third time you have entered him in the Liberty Bond isn't it?"

"Yes, and the last time, too."

Yes, and the last time, too." "But you have wasted a lot of money on him and been the backstop of a whole ton of track wit!"

"All true, but things may change!"

"Yes—they may get worse for you!"
Then we parted and when I returned
to the stall there was another one of my advisers. "Say, Blazer," says he, "I come ever to buy Wish. He don't eat no oats and they are so d—d high I can't afford to buy them, So the thought occurred to me to buy him off'n

you and saye expense.''.
"Well," I answered, "possibly I might trade you some speed for an appetite? And would you like a few good legs I hear that you have bought

a crutch factory?

Try as I might I couldn't keep from asking Patsy every day if the new appetite was still on the job. A sample answer ran: "For goodness sakes, yes! That old dog has surely fixed 'im. Why, I can hardly get into his stall at grub time without him nearly knocking me

time without him nearly knocking me off my legs."

Meanwhile I got mail and telegrams galore during the two days' wait for the Liberty Bond, each letter or wire starting out with these words: "Is he still eating?" Patsy got a billet-doux with a money order for \$300 in it, to wager on the race, but would not disclose the sender's name; just said, "Boss, if we win this here stake, there will be a Big Noise in Red Oak!" That was all I knew of its import.

With the race only two days away,

With the race only two days away, my brain was like unto a hive of bees. When I laid my head on the pillow at night, it was not to sleep but to think of all the trouble, time, expense and disappointment I had been to with that horse, and here I was, still in the dark as to what would be the outcome. But as to what would be the outcome. But then I would also think of that little old dog and what he had apparently done for me, something no human agency could accomplish. I reflected upon the sunshine he had taken into more than one sick-room, of the years of fun and pleasure he had afforded me, and how often on my returns home, I had picked him up in my arms, and, as I fondled him, he would croon his affection in his own language, without one word of reserve. And as these things welled up relax and I would drift at last into dreamland.

The morning of race day came and I was up early after a night of restless-ness, and out to the track. Buck and Patsy greeted me, with the usual pleasantries, Buck getting a fresh supply of Huyler's best, and the most apprecia-tive caress of which I was capable. "Where is Rufus!" I queried of

Patsy.
"Not out yet," was the reply; and
I felt a twinge of apprehension. Was

he sick? My fears were not long in crystallizing, for a mutual friend soon brought word that Rufe had had a vio-lent attack of ptomaine poisoning, could not sit up, and had been hurried to a hospital.

Race day and no driver! Was the old specter on my tracks again! With only a few words to Patsy, I started in pursuit of help, and learned in a few moments that Longfellow's mount had pulled up lame and was scratched. I hurriedly sought him out of a crowd of

track gossips.

"Bill," I said, "Rufus is sick—bad off—in a hospital! Won't you drive my horse in the Liberty Bond today!"

A look of utter disgust swept his visage and he instantly said, "Not for your right arm! Do you think I would stand the reception the anvil chorus would give me when I came out behind

would give me when I came out behind Anti-Fat?'
''Never mind the A.C.'' I said, ''I am offering you the mount behind the winner, also will pay you well for your time.''

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"Now just can all that talk," he answered, "it's bad enough to have to drive a lot of my own lumber-legs, but to drive that joke horse of yours! Nay, nay, for Longfellow!"

"But I will lay the money in your hand right now! More money than you ever earned, flat, for driving a race!"

"Well, money will make me do a lot

''Well, money will make me do a lot of things, but not be the goat of Toledo, Ohio! No, sir, not me!'

Then I put up an appeal—one that would make a tear-compelling attorney covet my pathetic powers. 'Bill, this

is a desperate case! I want you to help me out. You must!"—and I begged like a doomed man at the mercy

seat.
"Now what do you think I would do when the starting judge introduced the horses and drivers! When they paraded by the grand stand, and he would yell, 'Number seven; Wish, chestnut gelding! Mr. Blazer Johnston, owner! Mr. Longfellow, driving! Right then and there, when the gang gave me the once-over I would just naturally fall out of the sulky!' the sulky!

Just then I said: "Here is \$1,000, cash, in your hand—and if you drive one heat, and don't like your mount, you can resign the job."
"Well, if you are so set on me being the fall guy of the Maumee Valley, it's a trade!" and he closed a No. 12 hand over my ten-century bill.
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Patsy was visibly disturbed when I Patsy was visibly disturbed when I told him that Rufus could not drive, but showed a brighter face when I informed him that I had engaged Longfellow to take the mount. The latter warned Wish up and when the field was called to the post, donned Rufus' colors, and Buck followed our little courty out to the track wearing a jaunty party out to the track, wearing a jaunty little marcon blanket trimmed with gold, to match the stable colors.

gold, to match the stable colors.

While Longfellow dished out the last warming-up heat to Wish, I had strolled over to the betting shed just to learn the public's estimate of the field. There were ten names on the blackboard, and Peter Laurel, b h, by Peter the Great, headed the list, indicating his favorities by the position given him on the headed the list, indicating his favoritism by the position given him on the auctioneer's sheet. Liberty Belle, br m, by Etawah, was second, then came Ortonian, b h, by Ortolan Axworthy; Director Hoover, b h, by Directum Spier; General Pershing, by Constenaro; Elevator King, br h, by The Harvester; Mt. Sterling, b g, by J. Malcolm Forbes; Manly Mann, br h, by Manrico; Sanford Hall, ch h, by San Francisco; and down at the tail end of the list was Wish, ch g, by Noble Worthy, bringing up the tail end, last and least considered of ten, regardless of the fact that he had won impressively at both that he had won impressively at both Springfield and Findlay

Col. Bill Fitch read off the names and then asked, "How much for first choice?"

\$5001 snapped a nervous-looking red-headed man, 'And you want Peter Laurel, and I

don't blame you a bit! How much for Liberty Belle?''
''\$300!'' sang out a Kentuckian, with

a Blue Grass accent. "For Ortonian ?"

"\$150!" said a blue-eyed new-comer to the betting ring, evidently from

Springfield, O.

"Director Hoover! Who wants him?
Say something! He's surely worth
\$100! I thought so; sold for \$100 to I.O.A.," as a very tall man nodded his head.
"Here's one I know some man will

"Here's one I know some man will buy! How much for Elevator King You'll give a hundred? I don't blame you either," as he eyed a bespectacled man. "Initials, please? Yes, sir! P.K." "Now, Mt. Sterling! \$50? Yes, Mark her cheap to Doctor C. Manly Mann? Who wants the Manly one? \$50 sold to Peoria. Sanford Hall? How much for Sanford? Get in, in a hurry before I

Peoris. Santord Hally How much for Sanford? Get in, in a hurry before I put him in the bewll Hey, Boston! How much for your horse? You wouldn't let him trot without a bet of any kind, would you? \$25? Yes you will, of course! You will; mark it to Beans.'?

"And now, gentlemen and ladies—without the ladies—we are at the end of the line, down to Wish! Who hasn't heard of Anti-Fat? Three times an entrant in this stake, twice behind the money, and here again today to do it over, and do it worse. How much! How over, and do it worse. How much? How much? By crackey, men! I guarantee you one thing if you buy this, one, he won't cost you much to feed. He don't eat a bite any place but at home! Buy an economical horse, gentlemen. How much for Wish? Whatever you bid you'll be sorry! Uh-huh? Did you say you'll be sorry! Uh-huh? Did you say \$10? All right, sir, you could have bought him for a dime? All rules are suspended on this horse. And now, gentlemen, let me introduce to you Mr. Blazer Johnston who has bought a life membership in the Liberty Bond stake for Wish. He has also bought a ticket for \$10, calling for \$1,285, one of the biggest odds tickets I have ever sold; and if he wins today. I will agree to and if he wins today, I will agree to the United States with an eraser!"

There was a roar of appreciative mirth. Then Col. Fitch was followed on

the stand by Major Crutch, and when he came to Wish, he said:

"Sold for \$1.80! I am saving tickets like that for souvenirs, and if Wish wins today, I will start in the pork packing business next Monday."

Captain Charles Creed also commented publicly on the Wish ticket when he recognized a man giving the name Red Oak. "Yes, you buy Wish for \$5, and if he wins today, I will agree to pump Lake Erie dry with the town pump at Erie, Pa. 27 As you may opine, when all this wit had been lavished at my expense, I felt like operating on myself to find out whether the public was right and I was a wooden man, or did I really have a horse worth \$1.80?

Evidently, the public thought not.

By that time the horses were at the post and the starting judge was introducing them to the multitude—it really was a multitude that was there. Wolverines by the pack from Michigan; Buckeyes of every description and occupation from all over Ohio; Hoosiers of all shades from Indiana; not to men-tion all the loose canucks from across the lake. Each of the field in turn, as they passed in review, was introduced to the crowd, and when the starter said: "Number seven! Wish 2:121, driven by Mr. Longfellow!!" poor Bill seemed to telescope his spine about four inches, so low did he crouch down, as one of so low did he crouch down, as one of the score card boys, "Fireless," by

name, sang out.
"Hey, Bill! When did you begin taking Anti-Fat""

Then they all trotted down for the score, and I knew they were about to start. Once, twice, just limbering up, and the third time, with Wish scoring in sixth place, they were away. Longfellow had asked me how I wanted the race driven, and half in earnest, half in jest, I said, "Lay about fourth, as near as you can; come out of the bunch when you get in the straight for home; just growl a little, and he will do the rest."

He laughed a tormenting laugh at me

He laughed a tormenting laugh at me and said, "Come away! With a cork horse?"

"Why do you call him a cork horse?" I queried.

"Humph," he returned, "isn't he the biggest stopper in the world?"

"Have it your way," I remarked, "but even so wise a many as you are can be mistaken," and that ended the "instructions." With Buck on one side and Patsy on the other, I fastened the glasses on Wish and watched the the glasses on Wish and watched the progress of the heat.

(To be Continued).



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To have the most happy com-munity we must be neighborly and interested in each other. If I can do a kind act, I know it will be appreciated by those affected. I should appreciate kind acts towards me, and I should always express my grati-

To have the most prosperous community is to have it produce the most and best products possible and to retain as much money as possible within it, I will produce the most and best that I can, and I will purchase for my wants as much as possible in my community.

I believe that if the people of both the town and country feel their interdependence and work in a co-operative spirit, we will be more happy and prosperous, and we will have better homes, buildings, schools, churches, entertainments, roads, farms, professional men, business houses, better men and women in the community. This is my creed. I believe in it. I shall talk it to others, believing that if all in my community were to adopt it, all would be more happy and prosperous. I shall do my part.

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# The Deeper Life

The Glorious Gospel of Mending By Rev. S. G. Bland, D.D.

REVENTION may be, generally, better than cure. Perhaps not always. At any rate there is still, ways. At any rate there is still, and likely long to be, a great place for the glorious gospel of mending things that have been broken. So many

precious things are easily broken, so easily lost. The gospel many of us need is not the gospel that tells us how to keep, but that tells us

how we may regain.
One of the precious things easily lost is reputation, and its loss is one of the heaviest and most apparently ir-reparable. It is a heavy loss even when lost without blame through the mistaken judgment of men or their credulity

"Good names in men and women, dear, my lord,

Is the immediate jewel of their souls.

Who steals my purse steals trash; 'tis something, nothing.
But he who filehes from me my good

name. Robs me of that which not enriches

him,
And leaves me poor indeed."
Still more bitter is the loss when it is not slander nor misjudgment, but misdoing, to which the loss is due. A business man fails and so that reputation is lost as well as property. A trusted employee, a public servant betrays his trust. A man of blameless reputation becomes involved in scandal.

Under the agony of such a loss men have buried their shame away from the changed looks of men and wearily and hopelessly begun life anew in a strange land. Others have despairingly sought a more profound obscurity by death. Yet even for this wreckage there are glorious possibilitier of repair in gen-uine repentance, in frank confession, in the most complete restitution that is possible. Men sometimes seem cruel, as slow to forgive as God is quick, but men are not implacable. They do not think much of forced restitution, of confessions wrung by fear or dictated by policy of a cheap and shallow peni-tance, but when at last they are con-vinced of sincerity men are not hard. Even in this life a shattered reputation may be rebuilt. The reconstruction takes time, but the man truly penitent does not grudge the time nor complain of the conditions. To the truly penitent the sin is more grievous than the conse-

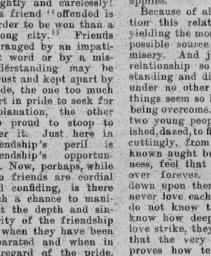
Courage and hope and faith in God and man will prevail at last. Jerry McCauley, water rat, thief, jail bird, Sing-Sing convict, became one of the greatest powers for good in New York, trusted, honored, beloved. And the Spirit of Jerra that is leavening the thought of Jesus that is leavening the thought of men as never before is going to make it easier for men to win back a lost reputation. The gap between the crimreputation. The gap between the criminal and ordinary people is narrowing. The difference is one of opportunity or temptation rather than of character. Some day we shall be franker and say with St. Augustine "What sin have I not committed in deed, or if not in deed, in speech, or if not in speech, in thought?" God sees no such difference between respectable people and jail birds as we think we see. And the men who seem vilest we are coming to see are generally rather victims than wrong are generally rather victims than wrong doers, the victims of defects of training, defects of natural constitution, defects of environment. The day coming, indeed, is already here, when a man who has been behind prison bars a man who has been behind prison pars will not be branded for life. Prisons indeed, will cease to be for punishing men. They will be constructed and managed by the wisest and best of people for saving men. They will become moral hospitals. Suffering there may still be about them, but it

will be contributory to reformation.

Another precious thing that may be broken is friendship. How easily a friend may be lost, how quickly and sometimes how lightly and carelessly! "A brother" or a friend "offended is

harder to be won than a strong city. Friends estranged by an impati-ent word or by a misunderstanding may be thrust and kept apart by pride, the one too much hurt in pride to seek for explanation, the other too proud to stoop to offer it. Just here in friendship's peril is friendship's peril is friendship's opportun-ity. Now, perhaps, while two friends are cordial and confiding, is there such a chance to manifest the depth and sincerity of the friendship as when they have been separated and when in disregard of the pride, that is almost always the chief element in the estrangement, the wronged one or the

estrangement, the wronged one or the wrong doer appeals to the friendship of the other. Pride is one of the strongest natural impulses in the human heart. The soul that will crush its pride in tendering explanations and apologies or in dispensing with them gives an almost overwhelming proof of the tenderness and strength of its friendship. It is so hard to make up that when friends is so hard to make up that when friends



have made up they often think more of have made up they often think more of each other than before. As a doctor told me when I was personally deeply interested in broken bones, a broken bone, if it knit properly, will be stronger than before. In the spirit of humility, which none can give like Jesus, He becomes the mender of troken friendships. To the wounds and fractures that may be experienced by the tenderest and most intimate form of friendship—a friendship—wedded, which is more than friendship—wedded tove, this glorious doctrine of mending applies.

which is more than friendship—wedded love, this glorious doctrine of mending applies.

Because of all forms of human affection this relationship is capable of yielding the most inquisite joy; it is the possible source also of the sharpest misery. And just because there is no relationship so opposed to misunderstanding and discord and wrangling, so under no other circumstances do these things seem so hopeless, so incapable of being overcome. How often, doubtless, two young people who have been astonished, dazed, to find lips speaking harshly, cuttingly, from which they had never known aught but gentleness and sweetness, feel that their dream of bliss is over forever. Black despair settles down upon them; they think they can never love each other as before. They do not know how deeply the roots of a true love strike, they do not know, perceive, that the very sharpness of the pain proves how tender is still the love. When two people who vowed to love and cherish each other 'til death, can quarrel without suffering, can live esestranged and be contented, then, perquarrel without suffering, can live es-estranged and be contented, then, perhaps (but only perhaps), love is dead, but not 'till then. So long as the alien-ation or resentment causes suffering, so long there is a chance for a deeper, surer love.

In an eastern city it was found, when a large church was being built, that it was built over a quicksand, and the

tower was never finished. A generation afterwards a much larger church was built beside it and a massive tower reared but the whole structure was built on piles thirty to forty feet long that were driven down through the crust and through the quicksand to the hardpan beneath. So love may build first on the surface of the soul, then, through shaking and disturbing, learn to build on the deeper life of the spirit mot on mere liking or passion or fancy most on mere liking or passion or fancy for a dimple or the glance of an ey, or the new love of being loved, but on the Spirit life, with its loyalty, its patience, its hope and self-sacrifice, its deeper vision, its love of each for the other, not for what they are but for what they may be. Perhaps only a quarrel will convince some that their love can only stand in the love of God, that the loveliest plant of human love will wither if not watered by the Spirit of Christ, that only children of God can love forever. love forever.

In one way or another we have all been broken, not one of us but has lost something precious. Love or hope or courage or purity something has been spoiled. And it is a winsome picture that Gordon Hake gives us of the Sav-iour—a tinker-like figure with hammer, anvil and furnace passing up and down our streets, to palace, cottage, jail, to college, ball-noom, workshop, everywhere—with low gentle voice crying, "Old Souls to Mend, Old Souls to Mend."

If we understand the law and are willing to pay the temporary price there is practically nothing that we cannot overcome and at least in quality of habit, character and life attain it.

Our thoughts determine our acts, and therefore, our lives, as well as the in-fluence of our lives upon all about us, either by way of good or by way of hin-drance, with absolute precision.



Dr. BLAND



# The Country Homemakers

#### Tributes for Mother

"Why, certainly," she smiled, "don't poets know Better than others!

God can't be always everywhere, and —So invented mothers."

Sir Edwin Arnold.

In the heavens above,

The angels whispering to one another Can find among their burning terms of

None so devotional as that of mother. E. A. Poe.

If I were hanged on the highest hill,
Mother o' mine, oh, mother o' mine!
I know whose love would follow me
etill,
Mother o' mine, oh, mother o' mine!

-Kipling.

If mother would listen to me, dears, She would freshen the faded gown; She would sometimes take an hour's rest.

And sometimes a trip to town. And it shouldn't be all for the children,
The fun and the cheer and the play;
With the patient droop of the tired

mouth,
And the "Mother has had her day!"

—Margaret E. Sangster.

Backward, turn backward, O Time, in

your flight;
Make me a child again just for tonight!

Come back from the echoless shore, Take me again to your heart as of yore. Kiss from my forehead the furrows of

care, Smooth the few silver threads out of my hair;

Over my slumbers your loving watch Rock me to sleep, mother, rock me to

sleep. Elizabeth Akers Allen.

Nobody knows the work it takes To keep the home together; Nobody knows of the steps it takes, Nobody knows, but mother.

Nobody listens to childish woes, Which kisses only smother; Nobody's pained by naughty blows, Nobody—only mother.

Nobody knows of auxious fears Lest darlings may not weather The storm of life in after years, Nobody knows—but mother. -Author Unknown.

Mother O' Mothers' Day

Poets through all the ages have immortalized the divinity and the radiancy of motherhood. Artists have given the best they have to a portrayal of motherhood. But it remained for a little girl in Philadelphia to epitomize the homage for mothers and to create n day to do universal honor to the one woman in all the world. The little girl was Miss Anna Jarvis. From her little obscure beginning there has grown a continent-wide sentiment for the observance of a Mother's Day.

Abraham Lincoln said, "All that I am or expect to be I owe to my mother." And so it is with all of us. Mother is the lodestar. Mother is all the world to us. Mother is the best friend, one who knows all our faults friend, one who knows all our faults and loves us still. "God could not be everywhere so he invented mothers."

Mothers are partly divine, but oh, so thoroughly, human. God bless the mothers wherever they be!

Mother's Day, this year on May 12, falls for the fourth time under the

falls for the fourth time under the shadow of war. Mother's Day this year is going to mean very much more than it has ever meant before, Mothers' hearts are sadder. Mothers' love is being tested this year as never before. So many of our mothers have given more than life itself for God and Country. Mothers need this Day more sustaining love and devotion from children than before. It isn't enough to love Tell her so over and over again. Those who remain must bridge the loss of those who are "over there" or "who Conducted by Mary P. McCallum

sleep on Flanders fields. Don't let the day pass without telling her all that she means to you. And again, God bless our Mothers!

### Registration of Men and Women

On April 22, F. B. McCurdy, member of the Canadian Registration Board, sketched in the House of Commons, the scope of the registration of man and woman power, and the method by which it will be carried out. Canadians will be thoroughly thankful that at last some definite and adequate estimate will be possible of the man and woman power in the Dominion of Canada. The board plans for the registration of every man and woman over 16 years of

age.

The date is set for one day in June.

For some time now the women of Canada have been asking for a registration of the resources in Canada in man and woman power. There has been consider-able doubt in their minds as to whether men and women were occupied in that work which their country most needed of them. It is expected that on the basis of this registration and the information it will furnish, that the mobilization of men and women will be proceeded with promptly and intelligently. Women cannot but approve of the general principle of the registration. The government most assuredly has their complete co-operation.

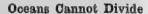
ional service without remuneration? a suggestion is unworthily, un-

thinkably medieval.

While it may appear very patriotic for the woman who chances to be the wife or daughter of a wealthy man to give her time without remuneration, it has far more harmful effects. paid worker can never be fitted into an efficient organization. She is a charity worker and so long as she remains un-paid can never be anything else. Char-ity is a drag on economic efficiency. If it were purely a matter for the indi-vidual to settle with her nation it might be easily adjusted. But it has a direct bearing on those workers, and the vast majority of women come in this class, who must make a livelihood out of the service they render, whether national or otherwise. It distinctly keeps down the wage of self-supporting women.

It can only have the tendency to make the paid worker undervalue her service to the nation, a thing at all times to be to the nation, a thing at all times to be avoided both from the standpoint of the individual and of those for whom she works. The most disgusting thing about the whole affair, of course, is the odious comparison of the treatment of men and women. It is certainly unworthy of Union Government, placed where it is partly by the votes of mothers and sisters of those who are giving their lives for fair play. Let us be done once and for all with this mockery and discrimination. Even if it

country at this time. When interviewed regarding her new position, Miss Atkinson assured as that her severence of relationships in Manitoba is not permanent: She is in search of wider experience. Miss Atkinson's friends will wish her every success in her new work in our sister nation, and a speedy return to Manitoba.



Here are two paragraphs from a little French school girl's composition printed in the Woman Citizen:—

"There is a river in France so narrow that a bird could fly over it with one waft of its wings, and men could even speak across it. There are thousands of people on each side of this river, and yet they are as far apart as right is from wrong.

'There is an ocean so wide that the reasonly cannot fly over it and him

sea-gulls cannot fly over it, and big liners take days to cross it. There are thousands of people on each side of this ocean, and yet they are so close that their hearts touch."

#### Rural Red Cross Drive

The provincial campaigns for funds The provincial campaigns for funds for the Red Cross will take place during the entire week of June 17th. For Manitoba the same committee which arranged the city of Winnipeg drive is to have charge of the country. No limit is set on the amount of money which it is desired to collect. The members of the committee will ask the assistance of prominent business people in all parts of the province, and local committees will be formed.

For the purpose of conducting the

For the purpose of conducting the campaign the province will be divided into 15 districts with five captains in charge, each of whom will be responsible for three districts. Each captain will appoint three organizers, one for each district, preferably returned sol-diers. Brandon and Portage la Prairie will be considered as separate districts.

### Federal Health Bureau

A delegation of the National Council of Women waited upon the government at Ottawa recently to urge the estab-lishment of a federal department of health. Particular stress was laid upon the importance of co-ordination of effort in relation to veneral diseases, feeble-mindedness, and child welfare. The at-tention of the government was also called to the pioneer work which has been done by the council for many years past in the interest of public health. Those who formed the delega-tion were: Professor Carrie M. Dechealth. Those who formed the delega-tion were: Professor Carrie M. Der-rick, Montreal, vice-president of the National Council; Mrs. Ninian Smillie, Ottawa, convener of the standing com-mittee of public health; Mrs. Adelaide Plumtre, Toronto, president of the Nat-tional Council; Mrs. Adam Short, presi-dent of the Ottawa local council; and Dr. Ritchie England, president of the Montreal local council. Montreal local council



An Ex-Ofty Business Man's Wife and Her Pets. No More City Life for Her,

Regarding the details of the registration there may be some divergence of opinion. I quote the following two sentences, taken from two different para-

graphs. "Males will be asked, in addition to questions already asked, whether circumstances would permit them to serve in the present national crisis by changing present occupation to some other for which they are qualified if the conditions offered were satisfactory.

"They (women) will be asked if their circumstances would permit them to give regular full-time service without remuneration."

Women abhor and hate war, but wo-men are in this war to the finish, heart and soul. And it is because they cannot reconcile themselves to war that they are insisting that some great good must come from the war. Can women with minds and hearts attuned to the right and justice and fairness for which we and justice and tairness for which we are in this war, reconcile themselves to such unworthy discrimination as our registration, board suggests. Surely after almost four years of struggle the film must fall from our eyes, and we see things aright. Surely it is time to get down to fundamentals. Each one of us, whether man or woman, is a person with a moral obligation to render service to our state. Why then should the government suggest that one half of those persons might render their nat-

could be arranged that those women who do not need to accept remunera-tion should find a sphere of work where they would be harmless to the economic scheme of things, let them do the suggesting of giving up the salary that service earns instead of the government. If the nation demands or conscripts the service of its women, then the nation should expect to pay for that service.

### Miss Atkinson Resigns

Deep will be the regret when it is learned that Miss Rebecca Atkinson, of the Extension Department, Department of Agriculture for Manitoba, has re-signed. Miss Atkinson has completed almost two years of service with the Extension branch. During that time she has made many friends throughout the length and breadth of Manitoba. She has helped materially to establish that personal bond which to-day exists be-tween the Department of Agriculture through the Extension branch, and the people of Manitoba.

Miss Atkinson has severed her con-nection with the Department of Agrinection with the Department of Agriculture to accept a position with the Department of Agriculture in the State of Iowa. Miss Atkinson's headquarters will be in the College of Agriculture at Ames. She will be one of the county agents, a branch of the service that is andering inestimable service to the rendering inestimable service to the

#### More Food Regulations

More Food Regulations

J. D. McGregor, director of labor on the Canada food board, and western representative of the whole board, speaking recently in Regina, said that private homes would soon come under food regulations which are now receiving the consideration of the Canada food board. He said further that what ever labor was required to garner the crop during the coming fall will be diverted to the farms by the government, even to the closing down of all non-essential industries, because the most important thing in Canada is the growing and saving of the wheat crop. He thought it would likely be necessary to thought it would likely be necessary to

make a longer extraction in the milling of wheat this fall and winter.

Mr. McGregor stated that an appeal would be made to all organizations conducting social functions at which food was served, whether for patriotic purposes or otherwise, to conform strictly with the regulations governing hotels and restaurants. It was just as important to save food at such functions as

in restaurants and hotels.

# Early Summer Models

Pictorial Review Pattern Service

HIS year, when wool must be con-served, fashion turns again to the old-fashioned cottons. Some of the most beautiful dresses this year are models in gingham, foulard, and the daintier musling. The shops are showing many pretty ging-hams in plaids, stripes and checks. The foulards come also in flower sprigs and foulards come also in flower sprigs and dots and spots of all kinds and shapes. Simplicity still dominates in the makeup of fashionable dresses. The most popular trimming is to make a part of the dress in some contrasting material or color. For instance some of the pretty plaid ginghams are trimmed with plain gingham of a dominating shade in the plaid. The dimity and muslin dresses are trimmed with dainty muslins in plain white. Surely this is a summer when one may be fashionably and hand somely dressed with very little outlaysomely dressed with very little outlay-



6384—Child's Dress (20 cents) sizes to 10 years. Suspender skirt in check serge aided and abetted by a long waisted blouse of soft white batiste. Medium rize calls for 11 yards 54 inch serge and 2 yards 36 inch batiste.



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at lower edge of skirt in 39-inch length
about 24 yards. Size 26 requires 34 yards
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length, including pockets and a 3-inch hem.



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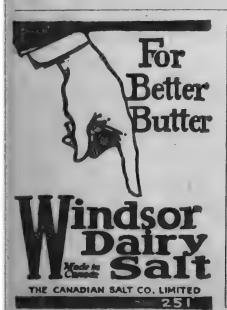
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### Your Daughter's Income

OME time ago we asked for the opinions of our readers on whether the farm girl should have an income or whether she should share in the productive activities of the farm. By far the majority of the contributors thought that an interest in some part

of the farm enterprise was preferable to a stated income. It is still a de-batable question. Our contributors have

other is preferable.
Your editor was brought up on the income basis. She received 15 cents a week to do with as she pleased. It would be impossible to tell all the things she did for 15 cents a week.

She sweet and dusted and washed She swept and dusted and washed dishes, and made beds and did scores of other regular jobs. In her case the salary method served very well to persuade her to take a responsible share of the home maintenance. But other methods have been known to work just as well. The main thing is to make your daughter feel that she is so important a part of the home organization that she is worth some sort of actual monetary remuneration.—Editor Wo-men's Department.

#### A Real Proprietor. First Prize

The allowance system seems out of The allowance system seems out of place on the farm where there are so many lines of activity, each yielding returns for thought and eare. The farm girl should not forego the benefit of some definite share in the labor and profit of one or more lines of farm work. This serves a double purpose. First, it gives her the required cash, and second, it goes farther than any other system in developing her into a useful woman. The sharing plan makes for permanence, fostering diligence and interest in the work at hand, develops ideas of true value and power of shouldering responsibility. Also it appeals to her desire for personal possession. The reason for this is psychological. The notion of possession is one of the first ideas developed. Even a child will fight to retain what it holds.

Many of our masculinity still assume place on the farm where there are so

Many of our masculinity still assume that all things material should be added unto them while wife and daughter may politely beg for their share. Perhaps our man is not wholly to blame. Wife somehow falls right in with his idea, daughter takes her cue and the growing hopeful simply absorbs the atmosphere. The boy usually receives somthing defi-nite that he can call his own, a calf or nite that he can call his own, a call or a colt, or perhaps an acre of land. Not so the girl. She must have pretty frecks, piano lessons, the prettiest room in the house and then in turn she must be good and help mother. The mother, wise in her own generation, shields her as much as possible knowing the child's days of drudgery will come soon enough. It is on the programme, who should take It is on the programme, who should take

the blame?

A decade or two ago no one found fault with this arrangement but time changes. It has laid an enormous amount of work and responsibility on our women and the girls must soon be ready to assume their share, with a willingness and understanding, grown from a personal interest in farm-work. This is accepted by the Educational Departments, and, witness the school gardens, not for the extra onions or carrots, but not for the extra onions or carrots, but for the idea of thrift and proprietorship developed in the growing mind of the

the blame?

The farm girl must take her place in the advance guard and she must have interests that will widen her usefulness, broaden her mental horizon. She must choose whether she will be a factor in the advance movement or a nonentity. The hand-writing is on the wall. The time has come that, on occasion, we must all walk and not be surprised if we must put our shoulder to the wheel

The parents of the farm girl must see to it that she is prepared to take her own place in her generation. This must come through honest effort to be a useful member in society and through her everyday labor she must acquire an understanding of the problems that will confront womankind in her own day.

Having produced such a girl, parents, that bug-a-boo you know about, will not be such a menace, for her chances for happiness will be increased a hundred fold and whatever community receives

her will be enriched by her coming.

Take a little time to settle this question and then go ahead. Give the girl the same rights as the boy and, according to her strength, make her a coworker with him. Give her something for permanence, something with a growing value. Make her a proprietor and injut, owner. Let her work outside. joint owner. Let her work outside, there is nothing better, and why not let her wear overalls if she wants to. If you find yourself obdurate just hitch on to yourself a couple of skirts with the total of the total a sun-bonnet and a pair of peg-heel shoes. Now take your hoe and work for one golden hour in your garden and feel your objections just coze out as you go. Overalls are neat and much more modest than some of these halflength contraptions called skirts, these

All this settled, lay your head on the pillow, secure that she won't escape through her upstair window to run away with that Tommy, Fido hates, nor is she going to treek across continent intent upon crowding out the already swellen profession of "Movie Stars." The vapid dreams and silly notions of make-believe romance will fade away when she has found a full and interesting field of endeavor. She will still go many with Tommy but it will he in her away with Tommy but it will be in her own good time and she will know why she goes. She will have a clear idea of values, she will know the meaning of responsibility and of service. Bell Hagen Winslow, Harte, Manitoba.

#### Paying Farm Girls Second Prize

What a question? The idea of a farm What a question? The idea of a farm girl getting pay for her services! Her business is to mind babies, help mother, wash dishes, peel potatoes, tease brother, and, perhaps, learn music, play piano, crochet, tatt, embroider, do fancy stuff and entertain beaus, "Ha-ha-ha!?" Oh, give us a chance to think a minute or two! Some years ago, it was our fortune to know a well-to-do farmer with a good farm, cozy home and a famwith a good farm, cozy home and a family of six girls—no boys. The farm was a good sized one, requiring a great deal of work, and it took considerable hired help to do everything as it ought to be done. Besides grain growing and so on, there were cows to milk, calves and hogs to feed; chickens, ducks and geese to rear; milk and cream to take care of; an apiary; a strawberry ranch, five acres to manage; a bunch of sheep and lambs to look after; corn, potatoes, turnips, mangels, to hoe and thin; and an almost endless number of things to keep in order as well as flowers, fruit and vegetable gardens to keep spruce and clean. This farmer moved in the best of society in the near-by city; were sovereigns of their own home, and as fast as the girls arrived in their as tast as the girls arrived in their 'teens they were taught to work, learn and fit themselves for the actualities of their coming life—in fact it was a refined home. Surely they were not trained to do "hayseed" jobs! Indeed, they were. As soon as they were big enough to milk a cow, feed and care for a lamb, they were taught to do all a lamb, they were taught to do all kinds of light work about the farm. They milked cows, separated and took care of the cream; fed calves, pigs and poultry; fed, cleaned and harnessed horses; disced, drilled, harrowed, packed; ran binder, mower, rake and hay fork; ran corn, potato planter, turnip, mangel drill; hoed corn, potatoes, turnips; mangels; took care of the fruit, force and waregately carden managed. flower and vegetable garden; managed the apiary and strawberry—five acros—ranch. They could bandle horses as ranch. They could handle horses as well as the best of horsemen. Well, yes, they grew to womanhood--masculine, coarse, uncouth, awkward, bold, unladylike; of course, we should think so. That, however, is the fault of the parents. It did not work out that way In this case. They developed muscle, symmetry of form, became trim, rosycheeked, bright eyed, the possessors of a

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# Farm Women's Clubs

WONDER if any of our U.F.W.A. members were quite as disappointed as I was at not getting to the Northern Alberta Girls' Confer-

Yesterday came a big bundle of newspaper clippings, telling of its doings, from Miss Montgomery, of the Extension Department, who has worked so hard to make this conference of real so hard to make this conference of real value to our girls, and as I stay in bed and read them, I feel more than ever how much those of us who were unable to attend the conference have missed. There can be no doubt at all as to the brilliant success of the conference, which brinantsuccess of the conference, which must be a great cause for rejoicing to the University Women's Club and also the others who took such a keen interest in working for it, and it seems impossible that the girl delegates could have gone home without seeing a higher vision than before they went

have gone home without seeing a higher vision than before they went.

Just how many of our U.F.W. girls were there I do not for the moment know, but there were at least some, though perhaps not so many as we could have wished. Now, what are we as an organization going to do, to keep the light of those conferences shining, to help our girls to follow the gleam?

I am beginning to get a little sceptical over convention enthusiasm; it is so effervescent—you take the cork out

so effervescent—you take the cork out at the conference, and in a short time everything is frothing up, and bubbling over, and it looks as though the most wonderful things were going to happen, but by the time all the delegates get wonderful things were going to happen, but by the time all the delegates get settled down again in their own homes, so often nothing but a flat mawkish sediment remains. If these girls' conferences are to make any real difference in the lives of our rural girls, it means hard follow-up work by the older people of a community. Let us make definite plans in every U.F.W. club for Young People's work, for boys and girls' clubs. Let every secretary write for a copy of 'Canadian Boys in Training' and 'Canadian Girls in Training' and then see how far we can go in organizing groups, and following the programme for the four-fold development of life. Our rural boys and girls have never had a chance so far of building a four-square life. It is up to our clubs to help them on the way to attain it.

Where there are organized Sunday School groups we can perhaps arrange to work on the programme in co-operation with them, but in districts where there is nothing of the kind the club must develop its own organization. But do let us at least make some effort, so that our committee on Young People's

must develop its own organization. But do let us at least make some effort, so that our committee on Young People's work may be able to bring to our next convention a real live report, showing good work accomplished. Mrs. H. E. Spencer, Warwick Farm, Edgerton, is the convener of this committee. Do not hesitate to write to her for advise or help.—Irene Parlby.

Farm Kitchen Help

In regard to the movement being made by the city women to aid in the greater production campaign, in what they believe to be the most practical way, namely, to go out and help in the farm kitchens, we feel that some further explanation is necessary as the scheme does not seem to be thoroughly understood by all our members, and we understood by all our members, and we regret to say one or two reports have reached us of such women being treated in a manner which was not very kindly when they arrived at their destinations. Once more we would like to point out that these city women are not offering their sewtices. their services by any means because they are in need of work. They do it. knowing that the need for production is so great and labor so scarce in the country. They realize that conditions in the West make it impractical for them to go out and do the actual farm work as women in the older countries, and even in Eastern Canada are doing. But they are offering their services to their country in the way which they believe will be of the greatest value, namely, helping the busy farm woman with her domestic work, so that she in turn will have more time to look after such matters as raising more poultry,

putting in and looking after extra garden, and extra work in the dairy, as all kinds of farm produce is urgently needed, and also at times assisting the men with work which it is possible for a woman to do. The farm woman already having had some experience along these lines will naturally be of more value to them than the city woman. The Next-of-Kin Association, under whose auspices these women are being sent out, demand that they shall receive sent out, demand that they shall receive proper remuneration. The wages being asked range from \$25 to \$35 per month, according to the amount of experience which they have had. They believe that the ''laborer is worthy of his hire'' and even if these women are not in actual need of the money, it never comes amiss, and they have the option of turning it over to some patriotic fund if they so desire. As we have already pointed out, care is being taken that only suitable women for the work will be encounaged to me and every effect in be encouraged to go, and every effort is being made to ensure that there will be no disappointment on either side. We trust that our members requiring help will bear these facts in mind, and we feel sure that they will reciprocate the kindly feelings which have prompted these women to come to their assistance as a service to the Empire.—Mary W. Spiller, provincial secretary.

#### Social Service Work

The quarterly report of our Social Service Committee has just been sent in by the convener, Mrs. L. B. Hart, and read as follows:

I was able to attend the Social Service Convention, and got some idea of the importance of the League. Their aim is ours, the moral and social betterment of the community. Amongst other matters affecting the rural parts of Alberta, we heard with dismay that crowded shacks were responsible for many cases of immorality. We were also told that the evils of gambling in the

told that the evils of gambling in the form of raffles, guessing contests and bridge games, often indulged in for patriotic purposes, were a growing menace to the children as well as adults. We think that locals should secure and distribute the valuable bulletins sent out by the league. The Rev. E. S. Bishop of Red Deer, has been appointed Child Welfare secretary. He will travel through the province, giving lectures, scattering literature, showing exhibits, etc., and will be glad to have each local co-operate with him. Mr. W. Clark, of Leamington, Ontario, will, for a while at least, be Sex Hygiene secretary, and also desires our co-operation. Local doctors will often be glad to give talks on this important and delicate subject also. Each local must strive more and more to be a centre of education along the lines of moral uplift.

#### Youngstown Busy

A very bright encouraging report has been received from Mrs. M. Goodbrand in regard to the activities of the Youngstown U.F.W. Their last meeting, on April 10, was one of the best which they have had this year. The weather was lovely and the attendance good. Three visitors were present, two of whom enrolled as members before the close of the meeting. The subjects disclose of the meeting. The subjects discussed were the Rural Nurse, Red Cross Sewing, and Food Conservation. There was considerable discussion in regard to the rural nursing question, which resulted in the secretary being in-structed to write to the Rainbow Women's Institute and a neighboring U.F.W. local to see if an arrangement could be arrived at whereby they could secure the services of a nurse for the three districts. The members have also decided to undertake some sewing for the Red Cross. A mirror is being donated to the Rest Room in Youngs-

A new branch of the W.G.G.A. has been organized at Red Jacket. They want all sorts of information about the work of the association, indicating that the members are very much alive.

A little while ago your Central office wrote to S. S. Cundiff, secretary of Haynes local U.F.A., which had just been organized, asking him if he would lend his assistance in getting a branch of our U.F.W. started in his district, which he very kindly did. At the next meeting of the U.F.A. local, which was held on April 9, ladjes were invited to be present. Several were on hand and be present. Several were on hand and the matter was laid before them, with the result that a club was organized right away, 8 members being enrolled, and several others promising to join at an early date. Mrs. Grant Welton was elected president, Mrs. T. J. Ross vice-president, and Mrs. Jas. Sage secretary-treasurer. The next meeting will be

reasurer. The next meeting will be held on May 14.
Sentinel Hill is the third club which has been organized recently by our director, Mrs. Jean Stevenson, of Craigmyle. The president elected was Mrs. Taylor and the secretary-treasurer, Mrs. G. E. Hewson,

Appreciates Mrs. Barritt

A letter was forwarded to our former secretary, Mrs. R. W. Barritt, a short time ago, on behalf of the executive and board of directors of the U.F.W.A., expressing their sincere regret that home duties should have made it necessary for her to recipe her resistion, which she for her to resign her position, which she has so ably filled since the association was first organized, and also expressing their appreciation of the services which she has so generously and unselfishly given at all times, and which have helped materially in bringing the organization to its present status. Mrs. Barritt has just replied to same, thanking the board for their expression of regret, stating that no one feels the loss of contact with the association more than she does, but unfortunately home duties and office duties cannot both be performed satisfactorily at the same time. She also very kindly offers to co-operate with us wherever possible, and in what-ever way the board may direct.

Mrs. Parlby Recovering

Members of the U.F.W.A. will be glad
to hear that their President, Mrs. Parlby, who has recently undergone an operation in the General Hospital, Calgary, is well on the way to recovery. She was able to leave the hospital on Tuesday, April 23. Although she will not be able to resume all her previous activities at once, she is keeping in close touch with the Organization through the Central office.

Mrs. Parlby was the recipient of many beautiful flowers, sent by members of our Organization and other friends, during her illness, and wishes to thank all those who have so kindly remembered her. She regrets that it is impossible for her to write to each one personally and trusts that they will take this message as an expression of take this message as an expression of her sincere appreciation of the sym-pathy and kindness which have been shown her.—M.W.S.

Has District Nurse

We, like many other rural districts, have keenly felt the need of Medical Aid and good nursing. Our W.G.G.A. had for a long time been trying to devise ways and means to secure a nurse, when we received welcome tidings through one of our members (who had been a nurse) who had come to our midst—a bride from N.B. a few months

previously. She now received a letter from one of her nurse chums, saying that she would like to come West if there was anything in sight for her. Through correspondence an engagement was made for six months. She was employed by the W.G.G.A. and all money earned by her was to be turned in to the treasurer. She was to go wherever needed in the Senlac Municipality, and the W.G.G. were to receive \$3.00 per day for her services. The nurse receives \$40 month, board and room, whether there is work for her or not. Half way fare was advanced to her.

We are pleased to say that the arrangement has been very satisfactory for both parties and a second term has been contracted. Our Section has come,

been contracted. Our Section has come out whole even to the refunding of railway fare.

However, we feel that the financial consideration is the least part of the venture, for our nurse has been a real blessing to our community. She is well-trained and thoroughly capable and competent. We have all learned to love to the extent that we long for her to be off duty that we may enjoy her cheerful companionship in our homes. I only wish all districts were as fortunate as we are.—Mrs. B. R. Pratt, director District 13, W.G.G.A., Senlac, Sask.

### Hospital Enthusiasts

I would like to tell you of at least a part of the work which has recently been taken up by the Dinsmore Grain Growers. The Dinsmore local, and their wives, nearly all being members of the Women's Section, held a Union meeting of a number of the surrounding locals in the hall on the afternoon of March S. The weather was not pleasant con-sequently the attendance was smaller than was anticipated.

Good reports of the Annual Convention were given by different delegates present. After discussing the best mented of gaining new members, a committee of four, two men and two works accounts to convert the converted to the conve men, was appointed to canvass for members. As a result of their efforts an increase of 22 life members and 20 annual members was gained for the Dinsmore local and the Women's Sec-tion. Other topics were discussed until about 5.30 o'clock when a dainty lunch was served. In the evening a Box Social and Dance was held at which about \$100 was realized for Patriotic

On March 30, another Union meeting was held. Dr. Hopkins, of Surbiton, gave an able address on the Bilingual Question. Mrs. Taylor and Mr. W. T. Hall, district directors for 16, addressed the meeting. One of the important and weighty subjects taken up at this meet-ing was the Municipal Hospital scheme. After a lengthy discussion a strong committee of four members of the Dinsmore Women's Section and three from the Men's local, together with a representative from each of the three surrounding Municipal Councils was appointed, having power to add to their numbers, for the purpose of taking the necessary steps previous to the deciding on the erection of a municipal hospital. After other matters of interest were discussed the meeting closed, and re-freshments were then served by the ladies. As these Union meetings pro-mote the welfare of a large community and the social spirit is widened, it was unanimously decided to continue holding these meetings at intervals throughout the summer.—Mrs. J. E. Falk, sectreas., Dinsmore W.G.G.A.

### Club Reports Popular

On Januray 26, the W.S.G.G.A. met of the Dilke hotel for the first meeting of the year. The time was taken up electing new officers and the delegates for the convention. The members of the club presented the old officers with one-half dozen silver teaspoons for their hind work in the year. one-half dozen silver teaspoons for their kind work in the past year. Our secre-tary then read the resolutions which will be brought up at the convention. Every member was very much inter-ested in the most important ones. On February 9 the W.S.G.G.A. met again, the chief business being suggestions by our president for the work which we will take up during the year 1918. One good suggestion was for a Sunshine club. Our delegates for 1917 then gave a little talk on the most important part of last year's convention. Quite a few members are attending the convention this year, and we have several new members joined for 1918. The roll call was answered by "What part of The Guide do we take most interest in?" Most of the answers were "Women's





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### Join Men's Local

For many weeks it seemed as if the Willmar W.S.G.G.A. had faded into nothingness, but this state of inaction was due to the very real fact that women were wholly engaged in co-operation with the men in harvesting and threshing. We proved ourselves still a vital force by carrying through successfully a patriotic sock social on November 30, which realized the unexpected returns of \$189.00. Of this \$50.00 was voted to the Busy Bee club for Red Cross needs, \$100 to the Y.M. C.A. movement, and \$25 to the Halifax fund. At our annual meeting it was fund. At our annual meeting it was decided to abandon for a time a sep-arate organization on account of unavoidable decrease in membership, and to join the men's local with a view to increasing their strength and gaining their support for community work.-H. Gertrude Coad, recording secretary, Willmar W.S.G.G.A.

#### Enjoys Director's Visit

Our Women's Section held its annual meeting for the election of officers for 1918 on January 18. A large number of members were present and we had a very enjoyable time. Five new mem-bers joined for this year. We have not been able to do so much as an association the past few months owing to the scarcity of help on the farm, and we have not had time to spare. But we have been doing what we could in a small way locally for needy families and also some Red Cross work. The share-holders of the Trading association had their meeting on January 18 also. After the business meetings were over, we all met in the large club room for a social evening. The Wynyard Grain Growers' local served refreshments, after which we had a treat in store for all. Mrs. Alex. Wallace, our district director, was with us and gave an address in her very able way. It was much appreciated by everyone and the evening was enjoyed. We look for more such evenings in the near future. I am sending you \$7.00 as a further contribution for the Ambulance Fund from our local. This makes in all \$18. Our new officers are as follows: Honorary President, Mrs. J. A. Walker; president, Mrs. T. Halliday; vice-president, Mrs. P. Rutzein; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. John Ludlow; directors, Mesdames Campbell, Merchant, Jack. their meeting on January 18 also. After Mesdames Campbell, Merchant, Jackson, Eliason, Wilcox, Gudmundson.— Mrs. John Ludlow, secretary, Wynyard W.S.G.G.A

#### Cypress River Section

Mrs. J. S. Wood, president of the Manitoba W.S.G.G.A., went to Cypress on Saturday, April 13, and organized a very live section of the association. There were more than 20 women there and 14 paid their dues that day. There was a Political Equality League at Cypress and some time ago the members decided to become a Women's Section.

Mrs. Wood believes that there is every indication that there will be a large membership at Cypress. Mrs. Cole is the president of the new Section.

Mrs. J. S. Wood spoke on the work of the women in the association. She

elaborated on the aims and objects and urged all ladies in the district to become members. Her address was much enjoyed.

### Another Rest Room

At a meeting of the Alix U.F.W.A., gaging a midwife for the district under the supervision of the Doctor and the Club, as suggested in a letter received from Mrs. Parlby, was taken up and a lively discussion ensued. The members present finally instructed the secretary to interview the doctor and report to the March meeting. The next item on the programme was the establishment of a rest room, and the ladies were most generous in donnting the furniture for same. This rest room will be open every Saturday afternoon. The delegates to the convention then gave their

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report after which tea was served by Mrs. Pennel, Mrs. Paulson and Mrs. Neilson. Four new members were enrolled, which brings the membership up to 24. Mrs. Gilbert, the secretary, has, we regret to learn, been very fil, which accounts for the delay in sending her report. However, when writing she was on the road to recovery and we trust will be fully restored to health in the near future.—M.W.S.

#### Club Briefs

Our Brownlee W.G.G.A. expects to have meetings regularly now. At the meeting on April 13, we planned for a social to be given at the home of our president. We now have 29 members, of whom seven are young people, so we expect to do good work in 1918. The Brownlee men are also getting busy and have had car loads of grain shipped in for seeding.—Bessie Buchanan, secretary, Brownlee W.G.G.A.

Xena W.G.G.A. have been holding meetings right along. We now have started Red Cross work, making day shirts, socks and pyjamas. We have 14 paid-up members.—Amy C. Eckdahl, Xena W.G.G.A.

The roll call was answered by the "Medical qualities of water." An appeal was made on behalf of the Citizen's Educational League. The treasurer was instructed to same. The president read a splendid article on "The Home and the Vocation," which emphasized the fact that the success or failure of every individual boy or girl depends more upon the home than upon any other human agency. Mrs. Hutchinson read a clever criticism on women's clubs in general. It showed the difficulties those who take a lead have to contend with and how much shy members might help by trying to do their bit. The president gave a reading which was much enjoyed and the Misses Sinclair entertained us by songs and recitations.—Mrs. Nan MacGregor, secretary Idaleen W.G.G.A.

I wish to notify our members that the treasurer of the Citizen's Educational Board is Mrs. Raymond Archibald, cor. 11th Street and Broadway S., Saskatoon, Sask. The Citizen's Educational Board, under the presidency of Mrs. E. R. Myers, of Saskatoon, is the re-named Provincial Equal Franchise Board with which our W.G.G.A. was and is affiliated.—Zoa Haight, president Saskatchewan W.G.G.A.

I am pleased to report the organization of a Women's Section of the G.G.A. at Jemnay, on March 12. There are 13 members at present. Miss Christina Guild was elected president; Miss MacAuley, vice-president; and sec.-treas., Miss C. B. Magec.—Mrs. H. G. Thornton, director, Brandon District.

The U.F.W.A. in Alberta is certainly growing this spring. Mrs. J. F. Ross, the vice-president, was recently out and organized new clubs, one at New Norway and one at Provost. Other clubs have been organized at Coutts; Rusylvia, and Consort.

At a recent meeting of our Mirror U.F.W. the subject of Chicken Raising was discussed, and Farm Gardens is the subject on the programme for the next meeting. This club is making splendid progress. New members have been added each month since it was organized, and there are still several others who have promised to join.

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# Young Canada Club

THE letters telling about the vacation time are beginning to pour in this last week. I was a little doubtful if this would be a good contest but it is going to come up to the usual standard. Send them along. You know you have until the end of May to send them in:

Our Blue Cross has dropped away down again this week. Please don't forget that the Spring offensive of the Germans means much greater need of all forms of relief work. Remember the dumb Allies the next time you have

a nickle or a dime.

Helping Produce

We all know how necessary it is to help in this greater production cam-paign. There are many things, which even boys and girls may do to help. We could save our money, and buy hogs and calves with it, but I think it would take a long time to save enough; so we should ask our parents to help, and I am sure they would not refuse to help us, if we would only take care of the stock ourselves. Then we could help our fathers take care of the stock and hogs. I know some of you will think that I only mean the boys. But I also mean the girls, for I do not think it hurts any girl's dignity to clean the barns or take care of the stock. I am sure a great many of our parents would keep more stock and hogs if only we would

willingly help take care of them.

This summer we could have a garden and raise as many potatoes as possible. We should take care of these gardens, and not grow lazy and let the weeds

choke the potatoes.

I do not know any plan by which we could raise wheat and other grains, but we can at least help our fathers sow and harvest their grain. By helping this food campaign, we are really helping win the war, and I am sure we all want to do that.—Sarah E. May, Weyners Sask burn, Sask.

By Dixie Patton

How I Help

All children can help by saving food. What each child saves makes that much more for the soldiers. Instead of the children spending their money for candies they could buy something for the dies they could buy something for the food supply. I am going to plant a garden, with potatoes, onions, turnips, radishes and cabbages and every kind of vegetable in it. If all children would plant a garden it would save the flour. The people could use vegetables instead of bread. I am enclosing 25 cents for the Blue Cross fund.—Ireno Jamieson, Delburne, Alta.

#### Who Is There?

Tap, tap, tap— Come in! Tap, tap, tap.
Come in!

R-r-r-rat, tat, tat:

What is the matter? Who is there? Then I got up and went to the door but nobody was there, not the tiniest smallest body that ever was. Rat, tat, tat, tap, tap, tap, tap, tap. Why, what can it be? There must be someone at the window. I went to the window and opened the

blinds. Nobody there. Then I said, "Stuff and nonsence I am dreaming," and sat down to my writing. Tap, tap, tap, tap, tap, came again at the window. This time I stole softly across the room and peeped through the blinds. There on the window-sill sat a beautiful golden-winged woodpecker his bright black eyes cocked up suspiciously to-wards the blinds and his sharp bill all ready for another rap on the sill. I clapped my hands. There was a swift whirr, a flash of flame, and off went the mischevious beauty to tap, tap, at my neighbor's window.—Sarah Alice McGee, Deloraine, Man.

### A New Writer

I am a new writer and I thought I would tell you some way how we can all help in the greater production campaign. Girls can all sew and knit for the Red Cross or sell things of their own manufacturing for the Blue Cross. Suppose the school girls should make a quilt between them and sell it and send the money to the Blue Cross. I will try to get up a fund for the Blue Cross. The boys can also help their fathers

seed the ground. Girls and boys can both help stook the grain after it is cut. Boys can put out poison to kill the gophers and make a larger yield. We can herd the cattle that are going to soon be heef and feed the pigs and sheep—pigs for pork and sheep for wool for the soldiers clothes. We can take care of the horses that have to put take care of the horses that have to put in the spring crop. I cannot tell much more.—Alice Topping, Jenner, Alta.

Many Good Ideas

Many boys and girls can help greater production if they really want to, but most of us leave it for others who we think have more time. Boys and girls in villages can grow a garden and cultivate it in spare evenings. If a boy or girl has not a garden of their own or girl has not a garden of their own they could hoe and keep free from weeds their mother's garden, or have a small part of their mother's garden. I think most mothers would let them have some if they took care of it. In most of these small cities one sees a great deal of lawns. If they would take part of thet lawn and grow work great deal of lawns. If they would take part of that lawn and grow vegetables it would help a great deal in the way of greater production. Then the gophers destroy an enormous amount of wheat. This could be to a great extent prevented if the boys and girls would get out and poison them and get away with them. away with them.

I am going to grow a vegetable garden this summer and some turkeys.— Bernice Devlin, Horizon, Sask.

Loves The Doo Dads

This is my first letter to your club. I am a little boy. I am ten years old. I live two miles from town. I have a dog, his name is Bob because his tail were very funny. They're always getting a trick on Percy Haw-Haw.
Doctor Sawbones has a hard time teaching the Doo-Dads for they're always going fishing or something. I hope they come every week for I like to see them. I would like to have a button for I think they're very nice.

Lindsay Garrison, Jenner, Alta.

#### THE QYOLING SEASON OPENS IN THE WONDERLAND OF DOO

THE GYOLING SEASON OPENS IN THE WONDERLAND OF DOO

THE roads have dried up nicely in the Wonderland of Doo. The Doo Dads are nearly all out for a spin. They have all kinds of contraptions, haven't they? Percy Haw-Haw, the Dude, is the only one that can afford an automobile. Something has gone wrong with it, but he is letting others do the worrying. He doesn't want to get his fine clothes soiled. He is in for a surprise, for that young lad with the catapult is taking aim at him. Here is Poly on a tandem bicycle. The old lady Doo Dad is having a fine ride. So are some of the Doo Dolls who are spinning along in the trailer. Poly is in for trouble too for there is a porcupine in the road right ahead of him. He is sure to have the front tire punctured. He seems to be afraid that he will be pitched out on top of the porcupine. Sleepy Sam, the Hobo, has found an old-fashioned velocipede somewhere. He is wondering why it paddles so hard. If he would look around he would soon find out, for Smiles, the Clown, is having a free ride behind him on roller skates. Fiannel Feet, the Cop, is seeing that no one breaks the speed limit. See how he has hooked the little fellow on the bloycle. One of the Doo Dads on the motor-cycle was spinning along at a greea rate, and ran right into the cart belonging to the old Doo Dad who was going to market. Isn't it an awful smash-up? It is lucky for him that he is so near the blacksmith shop so that he can get his cart mended. That old Doo Dad sitting on the plow is so amused at what is happening that he hasn't noticed the hot iron with which the blacksmith is touching his arm. The way things are going both the blacksmith is touching his arm. The way things are going both the smith and old Doc Sawbones will likely have a busy day of it.



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valuable lessons, especially the intrinsic worth of an earned increment.

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cally.

The inevitable laws of this house were The inevitable laws of this house were that the gardens, lawns, walks, flower-borders and beds should be kept neat, weedless and trim; that their private rooms be at all times little palaces and the girls themselves be models of well-dressed, ""spick and span," young ladies, Such training and managing the girls rounded-out, well developed women physically mentally socially more men, physically, mentally, socially, mor ally; it prepared them to be the centres, of the uplift of their fellow women; it fitted them not only to hold and fill their own nick in life, but to be leaders of their generation. Farm work will not, if judiciously applied and prac-ticed, add roughness to the girls, but will act conversely if properly used will aid much in making attractive, genteel, spirited, entertaining, admired girls, withal beautiful. Knowing what we do, we earnestly advise all girls to be trained to outdoor work, right out in the sunshine, pure air and weather, and that they be actual earners and be paid for the same.—J. E. Frith, Moosepaid for the same.—J. E. Frith, Mooso-min, P.O., Sask.

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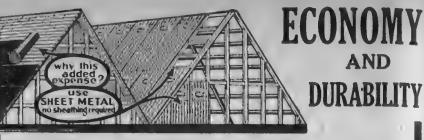
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### The Farmer's Market

#### WINNIPEG MARKET LETTER

Office of the United Grain Growers Limited, Winnipeg, May 6, 1918.

OATS.—There has been a decidedly bearish sentiment in the markets last week, influenced by the heavy farm reserves in the United States and the favorable prospects for the next crop. The immediate demand has been slow, with no improvement at the opening of navigation Opinions among the trade are divided as to the future trend of prices. Many well-informed people are quite certain that much lower levels will be reached, while as many equally well-informed, are confident that we are due for a considerable re-action.

BARLEY prices have remained stationary throughout the week. Offerings have been moderate and have been absorbed by direct buying or by filling of open contracts for May delivery.

delivery.—Man futures show a decline of over ten cents during the week. There as been no demand for the flax seed, and offerings of fair volume have been applied on May delivery contracts.

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Flax- May July	377 381	380 3831	371 376}	377 381}	3771 382	Artho	378 379	304 304

INTERIOR TERMINAL ELEVATOR STOCKS Movement of grain in interior terminal elevators or the week ending Wednesday, May 1, was

Ele- vator	Grain	Rec'd dur- ing week	Ship'd dur- ing week	Now in store
Baska- toon	Wheat Oats Barley Flax	37,980 13,063 1,286	14,002 278,190 13,148 12,043	264,385 1,698,223 28,733 23,600
Moose Jaw *	Wheat Oats Barley Flax	17,040 89,762	52,408 167,001	556,346 1,198,595 23,018 18,098

THE CASH TRADE

Minneapolis, May 4

CORN—The slowest demand to date. No. 3 yellow closed at \$1.55 to \$1.95.

OATS—Limited demand. Price basis ½ to 1c over Minneapolis May for ordinary No. 3 white. Some choice sold at 2c over. No. 3 white closed at 76½ to 77½ c; No. 4 white casts at 73½ to 76½ c.

RYE—Quiet, very little demand; 3 to 4c lower. No. 2 rye closed at \$2.64 to \$2.66.

BARLEY—Slow demand; considerable carried over. Prices closed at \$1.35 to \$1.75.

FLAXSEED—No feature. Market was 6c over May. No. 1 seed closed at \$4.02 to \$4.04, on spot and to arrive.

### The Livestock Market

WINNIPEG

Winnipeg, May 4, 1918.

The Livestock Department of the United Grain Growers reports receipts of livestock at the Union Stock Yards, for last week as follows: 2,027 cattle; 4,800 hogs; 257 calves; 10 sheep.

The run continues light and prices on all grades are well maintained and for the

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butcher grades, prices have advanced from 25 cents to 50 cents per hundred and the prospects are that higher prices will prevail next week as the supply is not equal to the demand for good killers. Stockers and feeders are scarce and are selling at steady prices with the best heavy feeders bringing up to 11 cents per pound and not enough coming to supply the demand. The price of stock heifers remain about steady at from 9½ cents to 10 cents per pound. With a small run of calves, good veals are selling up to 15 cents per pound; pail-fed stock calves around 9 cents to 10 cents. Taking the cattle market all around it is very strong and likely to go still higher. A few extrachoice quality steers reached the high mark of \$15.50.

The hog market remained steady until Saturday at \$19.40 but sold the last day of the week at \$19.50 with a higher tone.

With continued light receipts the prices of sheep and lambs are firm at the following: Lambs, 15 cents to 18 cents; sheep, 10 cents to 12 cents per pound.

CALGARY
Calgary, May 4, 1918.
The U.G.G. reports this week's Alberta Stock Yard's receipts were: horses, 462; cattle, 1,531; hogs, 2,452; sheep 834. The corresponding week a year ago was: horses, 988; cattle, 1,213; hogs, 2,462; sheep, 197.

The run of fat cattle was somewhat heavier and with all the buyers keen after the good stuff an excellent market was maintained throughout the week and prices advanced considerably. We made some record individual sales as instanced by one 1,810 pound cou at 13 cents, realizing \$169, and a 1,570 pound steer at \$14.50, bringing \$226.50. The best grain-fed steers sold from \$13.50 to \$14.50, Medium to choice, \$12.25 to \$13.25 and fairly common killers from \$11.00 to \$12.00. Choice fat cows and heifers sold at strong prices, a full load shipped to us by 1. E. Pasley, of Olds, bringing 12 cents, We quote this class of stuff from \$11.00 to \$12.50. Good to medium, \$9.50 to \$10.75, and common cows \$7.50 to \$9.00. Only a few oxen were offered for sale but we sold one extra choice 2,000 pound ox at 12 cents. More balls were on sale than has been the case for several weeks, the best bringing from \$8.50 to \$9.50, with an occasional sale up to 10 cents. The demand for good stocker steers was keen and they sold readily at from \$9.25 to \$10.25, but cows and heifers move slower and they look like the cheapest buying at from \$60 to \$85. Yearlings bring from \$45 to \$50 for the best, and veal calves from 11 to 122 cents. Top price on cattle a year ago, \$11.

The hog market opened steady at \$19.75 and our early week's receipts brought this price, but by Thursday a weakness developed and \$19.50 was the prevailing price. A fair run of hogs was continued for the balance of the week and Friday's hogs sold at \$19.65. Top price on hogs a year ago \$15.75.

#### Cash Prices at Fort William and Port Arthur, April 30 to May 6, inclusive

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### WINNIPEG and U.S. PRICES

Closing prices on the principal western markets on Friday, May 3, were:—
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#### MANITOBA BOY GETS V.C.

The wonderful exploit of a young Manitoba airman in a fight in the air which won him the Victoria Cross, was officially told at Ottawa last week. The recipient is Second Lieut. Alan A. Me-Leod, of Stonewall, He is only 18 years of age and had served in France less than two months and in the service only a year, receiving part of his training in

The official story says:-

The Victoria Cross has been awarded to Second Lieut. Alan A. McLeod, who, whilst flying with an observer, Lieut. W. Hammond, in a bombing machine,

gunning a hostile formation, was attacked at a height of 5,000 feet by eight enemy tri-planes. By skilful manoeuvring he enabled his observer to shoot down three of these out of control. Lieut. McLeod was by this time wounded five times. A bullet penetrated the petrol tank and set fire to his machine. He then climbed out to the left bottom plane, controlling the machine from the side of the fuselage and by side-slipping steeply kept the flames to one side, enabling the observer to continue firing until the ground was reached. The observer had been wounded six times; and when the been wounded six times; and when the machine crashed in No Man's Land, Lieut. McLeod, despite his own wounds, dragged him away from the burning wreckage at great personal risk from heavy machine-gun fire. Although again wounded by a bomb, Lieut. Mc-Leod managed to place Lieut. Ham-mond in comparative safety before he fell himself from exhaustion and loss of bleed.

### Our Ottawa Letter

Prorogation of the House likely in two weeks---Budget debate---Discussion of farm labor situation

(Special Correspondence of The Grain Growers' Guide)

Ottawa, May 3.—Parliament has been working hard since the first day of the session, but the real drive to reach prorogation at an early date has now commenced. The government and its supporters had rather hoped to see the session over by a week from today, but there is no prospect of that. The best the opposition will do, is to promise that it will be brought to a close some time during the third week of the month, which means that prorogation is likely at any time from Wednesday, May 15, to Thursday, May 23. Morning and Saturday sittings commence next week.

The bringing down of the budget by Hon. A. K. MacLean, acting minister of finance, was the feature of the present week. The details of Mr. MacLean's new taxation proposal and the financial situation of the country, are explained elsewhere in this issue of The Grain Growers' Guide, and it is not necessary to deal with them here. The debate is still in progress, and it is likely to be continued into next week, after which the formal resolutions covering the government's plans for increasing the revenue of the country will be dealt with in detail. So far the speakers in the debate have conthe speakers in the debate have confined themselves to more or less general observations, and it is altogether likely that consideration of the resolutions in committee will be productive of more interesting suggestions and criticisms than have yet been heard in the house.

Issue on Farm Implements One of the clear cut issues already One of the clear cut issues already raised, however, has related to the demand for free agricultural implements in order that the production of food may be encouraged. As might have been expected, there is a strong diversity of opinion on this issue. It is a been expected, there is a strong diversity of opinion on this issue. It is a question on which a considerable proportion of the supporters of the government, more notably those from the Western Provinces, find themselves more in sympathy with the members sitting to the left of the speaker, than with their fellow Unionists from the Eastern Provinces

Eastern Provinces This was rather strikingly demonstrated at last evening sitting of the House when W. F. Cockshutt, the redoubtable champion of high protection, from Brantford, made a speech which contained no suggestion whatever of a willingness to sacrifice a single vestige of the present fiscal system. Mr. Cockshutt, who is frankness itself, told the house that he had sent his protest to Ottawa within 24 hours, after the Government had announced its intention to remove the duty from farm tractors of a value of \$1,400 and less. ''I am looked upon'' said Mr. Cockshutt, "as a kind of a monster, who is engaged in a husiness that is more illicit apparently than the liquor traffic, or anything of that sort. A man who is engaged in manufacturing, especially the manufacture of implements, seems to be re-

garded as a monster of the very deepest dye, who should not appear in polite society to any extent." Mr. Cockshutt went on to say that Canada is laying the foundation for a future great nation, and in order to have a great nation, you have to have a division of labor and different kinds of labor; and the tariff and industry are the only ways to produce the variety of labor into which our citizens should enter. Everybody could not go on the farm, he said, and people should not be driven to it unless they are fitted for farm work.

R. L. Richardson's Comment

Up to the moment of writing, western members had not to any great extent taken part in the debate. The first to do so, was R. L. Richardson, member for Springfield, who said that as a westerner, he would have liked to see the duty entirely removed from agricultural implements. He was not com-plaining, however, as he understood there was a compact between the two parties when they joined together last year to form a Union government, that the war was the paramount issue, and that the tariff should remain in abey ance until after the war. He would therefore loyally accept the situation, and offer no criticism or complaint because of the budget as announced. 'I take it' he said, 'that the Liberal and Conservative statesmen who constitute this government, have done the best they could under the circumstances. But I quite recognize that the people of Canada are very critical with regard to the government; that they are watching them from day to day with the reatest care, and probably expecting from them much more than they will be able to concede. I believe that a man who supports the government, who frankly states the facts as they exist, and who gives them warning, is after all their best friend."

Mahare Refutes Agreement

Maharg Refutes Agreement John A. Maharg, Maple Creek, re-gretted that the budget showed no encouragement to agriculture production. There were many automobiles in the west which were necessities rather than luxuries. Further, light power cars were often converted into tractors.

Discussing the declaration made by Mr. Cockshutt that it was understood there should be no revision of tariff during war time, Mr. Maharg said "insofar as I am concerned, there was no arrangement, no agreement, no under-standing, either written or implied, and I know a number of other western members who are in exactly the same posi-tion. I think it is essential the tariff should be dealt with to win the war."

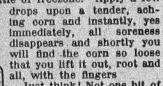
A short time ago the plea was more roduction. Now production is being left in the background, and now the cry was men for military service. Which was right, time would show. "I am willing to assist the Union government," Mr. Maharg declared, "but

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I am not prepared to take their say-so for an indefinite length of time."

Touching on the War Times Election Act, Mr. Maharg thought that it has lost as many votes to the Union party in the west as it had gained. He felt that without the act the result in Western Canada would have been very similar and the act found no sympathy

The prosperity of Canada for some time to come, said Mr. Maharg, depend-ed largely on the western plains. He thought that the government should

make every effort to have the large tracts of land held by private corporations placed under cultivation.

W. C. Kennedy, Liberal member for North Essex, was disposed to criticise the government for the cost of the last Victory loan, and complained about the recent bank amalgamations. He stated recent bank amalgamations. He stated that during the past ten years the chart-ered banks of the Dominion have decreased from 34 to 19, and it will only be a matter of a short time until we will probably have in this country only three great banking systems, the Bank of Montreal, the Bank of Commerce and the Royal Bank.

D. L. Redman, Conservative Unionist from Calgary, was a little apprehensive as to the magnitude of the National debt, which is now approximately \$1,200,000,000. He was afraid it would

be much larger when the war is over, and that in addition to interest charges the amount payable for pensions will exceed \$50,000,000. It was wise, he exceed \$50,000,000. It was wise, he thought, to educate the people of Canada to new forms of taxation. For many years it had been the policy of this country to rely upon customs' revenues for the means to meet ordinary expenditures. "I shall not" said Mr. Redwen "make any comment upon the ditures. "I shall not" said Mr. Red-man, "make any comment upon the merits of that source of revenue, except that in time of war, we must without question continue it. But our reliance upon this source of revenue should not blind our eyes to other means of raising money.

No Amendment Likely It will be noted that the few western members with the exception of Mr. Maharg, who have spoken, have indicated their determination to stand by the customs' tariff during the course of the war. It is not likely, therefore, that in the event of the opposition moving an amendment calling for free agricultural implements, it will receive much support from the government side of the house. Although there has been no authoritative statement, one way or the other, the general belief, at the moment, is that the opposition, being fully aware of this will not introduce an amendment. The majority of the members to the left of the speaker,

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it is understood, think that they will demonstrate better political wisdom by not doing so.

Mr. Henders' Committee

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The commons committee on agriculture, under the chairmanship of Mr. R.
C. Henders, the Grain Growers' representative, from Macdonald, Man., continues its promise of being a real live force in parliamentary affairs. Up to the present time this committee has been content as a rule with holding a number of sittings during the session number of sittings during the session, at which more or less academic ad-dresses were delivered by experts on agricultural matters. The speakers agricultural matters. The speakers would be questioned, and a general de-bate would follow, but no one can recall

that anything of a very practical nature ever resulted from the harmless gatherings of the committee.

The agricultural committee of the present parliament is different. Mr. Henders decided that there was useful work to be done more particularly in Henders decided that there was useful work to be done, more particularly in connection with the problem arising out of the shortage of labor, throughout the country. At the first meeting a subcommittee was appointed, of which Mr. Fred Davis, member for Neepawa, is the chairman, to delve into the problem and to make a report to the house. The committee was instructed to ascertain as nearly as possible the number of men as nearly as possible the number of men required in the near future, for farming operations in the various provinces and operations in the various provinces and also to report its views as to the possibility of reducing the amount of labor employed in non-essential industries and the possibility of releasing additional men for service at the front by the employment in munition factories of more women.

This week the sub-committee which

This week, the sub-committee, which had previously made a general report to the larger committee, was in a position to bring forward a considerable amount of reliable information, coupled with a number of practical suggestions. The members of the committee were so impressed with the good work done in a few days that they almost without exception declared that the agricultural committee was making a new record for itself. The report on the labor requirements was based upon telegraphic replies received from the agricultural authorities of the various provinces. All the provinces reported conditions to be serious, but Quebec, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island reports did not give any specific figures as to the number of men required. The report from Ontario suggested a probable need of 12,500, while Manitoba suggested that 10,000 would be required. Saskatchewan from 15,000 to 35,000, Alberta 7,000 or 8,000, and British Columbia 2,000 or 3,000. Mr. Davis stated that apparently the call would be for upwards of ently the call would be for upwards of 50,000 men.

Non-Essential Industries

In regard to the non-essential industries, the opinion was expressed by the sub-committee that while their curtailment in many cases was desirable, it would not be advisable to wipe many of them out altogether. The suggestion was made that all men fit for military service should be taken from these industries, but that those not fitted for other classes of employment should not be disturbed. It was pointed out that the closing of less essential industries necessary would make reconstruction after the war, and increase the difficul ties in connection with the giving of

employment to returned soldiers Some of the members of the com-mittee were disposed to be critical be-cause the minister of agriculture was not in attendance, but it was explained that Mr. Crerar was extremely busy attending to matters in connection with his department and that he was at that moment at an imporant session of the cabinet council.



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